

Steve Ashdown

From: planninginfo@midsussex.gov.uk
Sent: 22 June 2025 17:50
To: Steve Ashdown
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application DM/23/2867

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 22/06/2025 5:50 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land East Of Ansty Way Cuckfield Bypass Cuckfield West Sussex
Proposal:	Change of use of farmland and woodland to parkland reserve to include public access and instigation of long-term management and rewilding regime, including establishment of pedestrian and cycle tracks, with new pedestrian and cycle access points off Cuckfield Road to the south and Staplefield Road to the north. Proposals to include the addition of two wooden viewing platforms and two hides. Sports pitches at Beech Farm Field to remain in sports use. (Additional information and amended plans received 27th May 2025).
Case Officer:	Stephen Ashdown

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Customer Details

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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	We object to this proposal on the following basis: The area proposed to turn into COUNTRY PARK is supposed to mitigate against the loss of biodiversity in the built area south of the park; but it is already an established area of visual beauty and protected under legislation. It should be left alone for this reason. Although it is an outline proposal We are concerned that there is no detail on its future management. It sits next to Cuckfield Park, a listed building and runs along New England wood and other farms and so, some of the proposals will have a negative effect on the neighbours. Introducing Large non native Red Deer into such a small area will certainly have an adverse effect on surrounding land and the area we are trying to protect. We were horrified at the suggestion that the intention to kill our native fallow deer that naturally pass through the area! Introducing new cycle paths and footpaths north to south of the area will increase human traffic and which goes against the land being rewilded and it will have an adverse effect on the natural landscape. People will visit by car and park on verges and land causing serious

damage.

This is a tick box to enable a large town to be built and it will destroy the character, identity and rural aspect of Mid Sussex.

Kind regards