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**Subject:** Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application  
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## Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 30/07/2025 11:39 PM.

### Application Summary

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| Address:      | Land Adj. To Rocky Lane Haywards Heath West Sussex                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Proposal:     | The installation of a 22.5 metre lattice mast, mounted with 9No. antennas, 12No. cabinets, 1No. Electrical meter cabinet located within a compound comprised of 2.4 metre high chain-link fence topped with 3 strands of barbed wire and the creation of a new access from Rocky Lane and ancillary development thereto. (Additional Highways information received 08.07.2025) |
| Case Officer: | Hamish Evans                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

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### Customer Details

Address: 2 Buckeridge Way Haywards Heath West Sussex

### Comments Details

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| Commenter Type:      | Neighbour or general public                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Stance:              | Customer objects to the Planning Application                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Reasons for comment: |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Comments:            | We strongly object to the proposed installation of a 4G/5G telecommunications mast and associated equipment near our residential area. While we understand the need for better connectivity, this should not come at the cost of our environment, community, or the character of our neighbourhood. |

#### 1. Harm to Wildlife and Nature

The proposed site is a natural, undeveloped area that supports a wide range of wildlife, including deer, badgers, and pollinators like bees. Building and operating a mast here would damage local ecosystems and reduce biodiversity. Other, less sensitive locations should be considered.

#### 2. Visual Impact and Overbearing Presence

The mast would be much taller than the surrounding trees and clearly visible from nearby homes. Its size and appearance would spoil the rural and residential feel of the area, reduce the visual appeal of the neighbourhood, and potentially affect property values.

#### 3. Health Concerns

There are ongoing concerns about the long-term health effects of exposure to radiofrequency electromagnetic fields, especially for children and vulnerable individuals. Until more is known, it would be safer to place such infrastructure away from homes.

#### 4. Minimal Benefit

The mast is expected to improve signal for only a short stretch of railway-less than a minute of coverage for passing trains. It offers no real benefit to local residents, yet would cause lasting disruption to the community.

#### 5. More Suitable Alternative Locations

There must be more appropriate locations for this type of infrastructure that would not impact residential areas or sensitive natural habitats.

For these reasons, we respectfully urge Mid Sussex District Council to reject this application and explore more suitable locations.

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Kind regards