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To: "Joanne Fisher" <joanne.fisher@midsussex.gov.uk>
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 14/03/2025 2:40 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land At Colwell Farm Lewes Road Haywards Heath West Sussex
Proposal:	Outline application with all matters reserved except for access, for up to 80 dwellings with associated landscaping, open space, infrastructure and vehicular and pedestrian accesses.
Case Officer:	Joanne Fisher

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Customer Details

Address:	20 Orchid Park Haywards Heath
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I strongly object to the proposal for 80 houses off the Lewes Road. This road is already extremely busy, particularly during the rush hour and school run times. Our house backs onto properties on the Lewes Road very close to the proposed access road, and the thought of more traffic is horrendous. Traffic frequently exceeds the speed limit along the long straight where the access is proposed, and I feel it would only be a matter of time before an

accident occurred involving a vehicle turning into or out of the development.

As others have also stated, the pavement is narrow and when using it, you are very close to fast moving traffic - it is not suitable for walking with children as you can only walk in single file. It is pretty much impossible to walk anywhere from the proposed development due to pavements and distance, so all journeys would be undertaken by cars, further adding to the existing congestion and pollution.

Another point is the presence of rare wildlife. Haywards Heath and Lindfield have seen so much destruction of areas used by wildlife (including in this case rare dormice and bats!).

Surely our wildlife must be preserved? There is already a lot of new development on this side of the town, involving the destruction of open fields and hedgerows.

Thirdly, there is the question of local amenities. The local doctor's surgeries are already full, with Northlands Wood Practice having a significantly higher number of patients to doctors than the average. There are long waits for appointments as it is! Northlands Wood school is also at capacity, and dentist appointments in the town are hard to come by too!

I feel that all these reasons combine to make it ludicrous to grant permission to build on this site. The dangerous increase in traffic alone, along with the dire impact on wildlife means that it should be refused.

Kind regards