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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 14 August 2026 14:12
To: planningsystemssupport; planninginfo@midsussex.co.uk
Subject: Re: Neighbour notification for Planning Application No DM/26/0303

Good afternoon

I strongly object to this planning application No: DM/26/0303 based on the following points:

1. It will have a negative impact on local services such as local GP's which are already overwhelmed.
2. Copthorne has an existing drainage problem and regularly floods. Removing natural drainage in the form of the existing land and replacing it with concrete and housing will exacerbate the issue.
3. The development will increase environmental pollution in the local area both noise pollution and long term environmental pollution from vehicles associated to the building of the development and the number of vehicles that will increase with the population increase.
4. The development will adversely affect the appearance of the area which is currently woodland and trees.
5. It will have a significant overbearing impact on the immediate local area in terms of noise, pollution, outlook and increased vehicle traffic.
6. It will have a negative impact on road safety with the increased volume of traffic associated to the development. Many children walk to school in this area and it will increase the risk of accidents.
7. Negative impact on highway safety for vehicles-Copthorne already suffers from a lot of traffic from the A264, adding to this will have a negative impact on highway safety.
8. There will be a loss of trees and woodland which currently act as an absorber of CO2 and provide a natural habitat for many species including birds, deer, squirrels, bats and badgers.
9. Intrusion into the countryside: Badgers are present in the proposed area. Badgers are protected in the UK by the Protection of Badgers Act 1992, which makes it illegal to kill, injure, take, or cruelly ill-treat a badger, or to damage, destroy, or block access to their setts. This development would therefore be illegal.
10. Intrusion into the countryside: owls are present in this area. Owls are fully protected in the UK, with barn owls receiving extra legal safeguards. They are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981
11. Intrusion into the countryside: Bats are present in the proposed area. All bat species in the UK are strictly protected by law, specifically under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 and the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations. This complete legal protection applies to every bat species, their breeding sites, and their resting places, even when the bats are not currently inside them.
12. There will be significant noise and disturbance to the local area.
13. Highways: local road infrastructure is already overwhelmed with traffic at peak times, this development will exacerbate this.

I do hope all points above will be considered before final decisions are made.

Many thanks

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From: planningsystemssupport <planningsystemssupport@midsussex.gov.uk>
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2026 4:44 PM

Subject: Neighbour notification for Planning Application No DM/26/0303

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Regards

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