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To: "Caroline Grist" <caroline.grist@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 22/08/2026 4:05 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Parcel Adj. To Worsell Drive Copthorne West Sussex
Proposal:	Full planning application at two parcels of land adjacent to Worsell Drive, Copthorne, each accessed from existing bell-mouth junctions at Worsell Drive and Langridge Way, for the erection of new homes (Use Class C3) including affordable homes; internal access roads, landscaping and associated infrastructure
Case Officer:	Caroline Grist

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Customer Details

Address:	38 Payne Way Copthorne
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	The development is not being maintained by the developer as it stands. They can't even maintain a kids' park! This land was promised to be a school and a doctor's surgery. There are NO facilities on this development at all. Adding more houses will add to the strain on the village. The people who bought new homes surrounding the land did so with the promise of particular buildings, not more houses. This will mean that

existing properties have less privacy etc. The reason for not building a school is due to birth rate decline. What happens when the birth rate increases and we have potentially 70 new families with young children wanting school places? Nurseries locally are already oversubscribed. The doctors in the village is already hard enough to get an appointment too.

We were told that we could not extend our existing property by a marginal amount due to keeping 'green space' on the development. This plan ultimately takes away a huge amount of green space. Surely if it isn't going to be a school field / outdoor space then a big proportion of it needs to be open space for outdoor use. If not a school, a nursery with a forest school and a small local shop etc?

The concern is also about transport. There is one route in and out of the estate, which is already busy, especially with the m23 works. This adds more cars to the area. You also have to drive in a loop to get to the village, rather than a direct route. As the nearest shop is 15 mins walk, most people drive to the little shop, especially those with children. A small shop should be added to the development and less homes to tackle emissions. We need more facilities here and better links to the village.

Kind regards