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**Subject:** Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application  
DM/26/1613

## 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 4:36 PM.

### Application Summary

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| 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

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### Comments Details

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| Commenter Type:      | Neighbour or general public                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Stance:              | Customer objects to the Planning Application                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Reasons for comment: |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Comments:            | <p>I wish to formally object to planning application DM/26/1613 for further development at Heathy Wood.</p> <p>I am an existing resident of Heathy Wood and have serious concerns about the proposal for additional homes when there are already ongoing issues with the maintenance and management of the existing development.</p> |

Residents currently pay £96 every three months towards estate maintenance. Despite this charge, maintenance is often only carried out after residents have repeatedly raised complaints. This raises serious concerns about how the existing estate is being managed and maintained and, consequently, whether there is sufficient confidence that additional areas created by further development would be properly maintained.

The estate roads also remain unadopted, and residents have already experienced issues including water theft. These issues need to be properly addressed rather than continuing to expand the development.

I am particularly concerned that additional housing will create further roads, landscaping, communal areas and infrastructure requiring ongoing maintenance when the existing arrangements are already causing concern among residents.

Existing residents should not be expected to continue paying maintenance charges while having to repeatedly complain before the maintenance they are paying for is carried out, whilst at the same time being asked to accept further development.

Before any further housing is approved, I believe the developer should demonstrate that:

- \* The existing estate is being properly maintained.
- \* Residents are receiving the maintenance service they are paying for.
- \* Outstanding issues with the existing development are resolved.
- \* Appropriate arrangements are in place for the long-term maintenance of any additional infrastructure.
- \* The implications of further development for roads, drainage, traffic and other local infrastructure have been properly considered.

The existing development should be properly completed, managed and maintained before further expansion is permitted.

For these reasons, I strongly object to planning application DM/26/1613 and ask the Planning Authority to refuse the application.

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Kind regards