

Andrew Horrell

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Sent: 27 April 2026 18:08
To: Andrew Horrell
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application DM/26/0872

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 27/04/2026 6:07 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	McDonald's 165 London Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1ET
Proposal:	Variation of condition no 11 relating to planning application GR/199/96 - to extend the restaurant's opening hours.
Case Officer:	Andrew Horrell

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Customer Details

Address:	30 White Lion Close East Grinstead
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I am writing to formally object to the proposed extension of operating hours for the McDonald's located directly opposite my residence. Even under the current operating arrangements, we already experience significant disruption. Any extension would remove the only period of relative quiet available to nearby residents and result in ongoing disturbance. We are already affected by persistent noise pollution, particularly from drive-thru traffic. This includes honking, engine revving, tyre spinning, and frequent motorcycle groups creating excessive noise both when arriving and while gathered in the car park. Customers often congregate outside rather than using indoor seating, leading to shouting and large groups late into the evening. Late-night operational activities such as jet washing and bin emptying add further disturbance and would likely increase with extended hours. Light pollution is also a concern. The illuminated signage remains on until closing, shining directly into nearby bedrooms. Longer operating hours would prolong this disruption and further

affect our ability to rest.

Litter is an ongoing issue, with waste frequently spreading onto our property and into surrounding communal areas, including a nearby park used by children. Increased activity would inevitably worsen this.

Anti-social behaviour is another serious concern. Due to the location near popular pubs, intoxicated individuals often stop at the premises, resulting in shouting, swearing, and occasional altercations. At present, these incidents are relatively short-lived, as there is little reason for people to remain. Extended hours would encourage loitering, increasing both the duration and severity of such behaviour.

Additionally, as residents who leave for work early on foot, we would be required to pass through these late-night gatherings, which is both intimidating and concerning for personal safety.

In summary, extending the operating hours would significantly worsen existing issues-noise, light pollution, litter, and anti-social behaviour-having a clear and detrimental impact on our quality of life and likely reducing the value of our homes.

For these reasons, I strongly urge the council to refuse this application.

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

Kind regards