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To: "Joseph Swift" <joseph.swift@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/26/0073

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 06/02/2026 10:22 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Off West Hoathly Road East Grinstead West Sussex
Proposal:	The erection of 44 new homes with access from West Hoathly Road, vehicle and cycle parking, landscaping, drainage, and associated infrastructure and highway works.
Case Officer:	Joseph Swift

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Customer Details

Address: 32 Stockwell Road East Grinstead

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I strongly oppose this proposal for the following reasons: ☐ 1. Excessive Scale and Density The proposal for 44 homes represents a significant intensification of this site's use. The size and density of the development are out of character with the prevailing pattern and scale of existing

housing in the immediate area, harming the local streetscape and community identity.

2. Highways and Traffic Impacts

Introducing 44 new homes with access from West Hoathly Road will significantly increase traffic flows on what is already a busy and narrow route. There is insufficient evidence in the planning documents that the impacts on safety, congestion and local road capacity have been fully assessed or can be adequately mitigated. Increased vehicle movements will also impact pedestrians - particularly schoolchildren and elderly residents - who use this road daily.

3. Insufficient Local Infrastructure

Local services such as schools, GP practices, public transport and community facilities in East Grinstead already face pressure. A development of this scale is likely to exacerbate demand on these services without clear plans to expand capacity or contribute sufficiently via planning obligations.

4. Environmental and Landscape Harm

The proposed development will result in the loss of open land that contributes to local landscape character. There is no clear evidence that the scheme will deliver a net gain in biodiversity or adequately protect existing habitats. Landscaping proposals shown so far are insufficient to compensate for the loss of green space.

5. Lack of Community Consultation

The applicant has not demonstrated meaningful early engagement with local residents on the key issues of design, access, traffic impact and environmental sensitivity. A development of this nature ought to reflect community feedback and local needs assessments.

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Conclusion

For the reasons above, I respectfully request that Mid Sussex District Council refuse planning permission for application DM/26/0073 in its current form. Should the council be minded to approve parts of the scheme, then significant revisions and genuinely robust mitigation measures will be needed to address highways, environmental and community infrastructure concerns.

I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of this objection

and notify me of any future updates, decision notices or committee dates relating to this application.

Kind regards