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Sent: 07 February 2026 00:00
To: Joseph Swift
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 07/02/2026 12:00 AM.

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:	26 Stockwell Road 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:	Dear Sir/Madam

I strongly object to the proposed construction of 44 houses on this site. The development poses several serious risks to both residents and the wider community.

Flood risk is a major concern. The land in question already plays a vital role in absorbing surface water, and replacing it with hardstanding and housing will increase the likelihood of flooding for existing homes. This is not a hypothetical worry-our area has experienced issues before, and adding more pressure to the drainage system is irresponsible.

Local infrastructure is already stretched to its limits. Traffic congestion is worsening, school places are scarce, and GP surgeries are struggling to meet current demand. Introducing dozens of new households will only intensify these pressures, reducing the quality of life for everyone who already lives here.

The environmental impact cannot be ignored. This land has supported wildlife and natural habitats for hundreds of years. It is one of the few remaining green spaces that still reflects the area's heritage and natural beauty. Destroying it for short-term commercial gain is a loss that

cannot be undone. Once this habitat is gone, it is gone forever.

This proposal prioritises profit over people, nature, and long-term sustainability. Please, I urge decision-makers to reject the development and protect the character, safety, and environmental integrity of our community.

Yours faithfully
M. Cowan

Kind regards