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Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/1495

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 06/07/2025 9:21 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Adj. To Rocky Lane Haywards Heath West Sussex
Proposal:	The installation of a 22.5 metre lattice mast, mounted with 9No. antennas, 12No. cabinets, 1No. Electrical meter cabinet located within a compound comprised of 2.4 metre high chain-link fence topped with 3 strands of barbed wire and the creation of a new access from Rocky Lane and ancillary development thereto.
Case Officer:	Hamish Evans

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Customer Details

Address:	13 Old House Lane Haywards Heath
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	While I appreciate the need for improved digital connectivity, this proposal poses several unacceptable risks to the visual integrity, public health confidence, and environmental wellbeing of our community. Below are the grounds for my objection. 1. Health and Safety Concerns

Though regulators assert that current 5G deployments comply with safety guidelines, public concern remains high regarding the adverse effects on human health, especially among vulnerable populations such as children and pregnant women.

2. Environmental and Community Impact

a) Noise from Cooling Fans

The proposed mast requires twelve cooling fans to prevent overheating. These fans are likely to operate continuously, generating noise levels that could disturb nearby residents, especially during night-time or early morning hours. Persistent noise pollution can significantly impact residents' quality of life, sleep patterns, and overall well-being.

b) Visual and Aesthetic Impact

The mast's height and appearance will alter the visual landscape, impacting the local character and rural aesthetics - in conflict with policies aimed at preserving these environments. This is especially pertinent considering West Sussex's commitment to preserving its scenic beauty and rural character.

c) Limited Benefits to Local Residents

As the mast will primarily serve commuters along the mainline London to Brighton rather than local communities, it raises questions about whether the development meets local planning priorities and whether existing coverage could be improved without such intrusive infrastructure. Local communities should be prioritised over transient commuter needs.

Given the concerns outlined above, I urge the council to refuse this planning application.

Kind regards