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To: "Hamish Evans" <hamish.evans@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
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Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 07/07/2025 10:51 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: 15 Old House Lane Haywards Heath West Sussex

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	To Whom It May Concern, Re: Objection to Planning Application for Proposed 5G Mast Installation I am writing to formally object to the proposed installation of a 5G mast within our community, as submitted under the current

planning application. While advancements in communication infrastructure are important, this particular proposal raises several serious concerns regarding its appropriateness in our area.

***1. Adverse Visual Impact on the Local Landscape**

The proposed mast is an imposing structure that would significantly alter the visual character of our community. As a tall and conspicuous installation, it will dominate the skyline and detract from the aesthetic harmony of the neighbourhood. This is especially concerning given the rural and residential nature of the surrounding area, which includes open countryside and homes that currently enjoy unobstructed views.

***2. Inadequate Visual Impact Assessment**

The visual impact assessments provided in the application are highly limited in scope. They appear to have been conducted solely from the vantage point of the main road and fail to consider sightlines from nearby properties, footpaths, and areas of natural beauty. This selective assessment does not represent a fair or full understanding of the mast's potential visibility or its broader impact on the environment and residents.

***3. Lack of Community Benefit**

Perhaps most strikingly, the mast is intended to serve the London to Brighton trainline, not the residents of our community. While technological upgrades along rail routes may be necessary, such upgrades should not come at the direct cost of visual and environmental degradation for local people-especially when they receive no corresponding benefit.

I urge you to consider the above points in your evaluation of this application. A more appropriate site, with comprehensive visual assessments and clear community benefit, should be identified before such a significant structure is approved.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours faithfully,
Nico and Marilize Louw

Kind regards