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DM/25/2223

Consultee comments

Dear Sir/Madam,

A consultee has commented on a Planning Application. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 25/09/2025 11:52 AM from . East Grinstead Town Council on behalf of Parish Consultation.

Application Summary

Reference:	DM/25/2223
Address:	Juhring And Hobbs Field At Saint Hill Manor Saint Hill Road East Grinstead West Sussex
Proposal:	Hard paved car park with 121 spaces and toilet facilities adjacent to Saint Hill Road. Hard paved access road servicing both Juhring and Hobbs fields. Engineered grass surfaced provision of 619 spaces for temporary parking for specific events in Juhring field. Re-contouring of Hobbs field with grassed surface and provision of permanent pads for a marquee together with washroom facilities and substation with backup generator.
Case Officer:	Andrew Watt

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Comments Details

This planning application was contrary to the following adopted planning policies conflicting with Mid Sussex District Plan policies DP12 (Protection and Enhancement of the Countryside) and DP16

(High Weald AONB).

The scale of permanent car parking and associated infrastructure Comments:

> constitutes major development that would not conserve or enhance the natural beauty, tranquillity of the AONB, DP37 (Trees,

Woodland and Hedgerows), DP38 (Biodiversity) by introducing permanent urbanising features into open countryside, harming the

character and tranquillity of the High Weald AONB, eroding

biodiversity and landscape value.

This planning application was inconsistent with the East Grinstead Neighbourhood Plan, in particular EG1 (Protection of the High Weald AONB), which resists major development in the AONB except in exceptional circumstances and the public interest, EG5 (Protection of Landscape Character), EG6 (Natural Environment) and EG7 (Sustainable Infrastructure).

Taken together, the adverse impacts significantly outweigh any claimed benefits, and the application should therefore be refused.

Kind regards