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Subject: Application no. AL/111/16/OUT

I am writing to object to the above application. The neighbourhood plan has just been approved by the Aldingbourne Parish residents where a housing need of 30 homes over the next 15 years was agreed. There are planning applications that have already been approved for 79 homes off Hook Lane and 268 homes on Nyton Nurseries. Another 57 houses off Orchard Gardens are not required and deviate from the plan. It is a great shame that the land has already been cleared before people had a chance to air their views and destruction of habitats which may have contained protected species is naughty.

57 homes = at least 100 car movements per day using the already busy A29. The level crossing often backs up beyond the turning for Orchard Gardens. I am surprised there is space for a right hand filter lane as has been suggested in the supporting documents. There are few jobs in the village so the majority of the homeowners will have to commute putting more pressure on local roads. This must make it unsustainable. The bus service in Westergate is sporadic and couldn't be relied upon.

The primary school is full with a waiting list and the doctors surgery is over subscribed as getting an appointment is very difficult. This will only get worse with more development.

Flooding is another issue. Concreting over green fields increases the risk of surface water flooding. Allowing more properties to connect to the foul sewer could also cause sewer flooding. I believe the manholes in the fields behind Orchard Gardens surcharge in wet weather anyway so more connecting properties could exacerbate this.

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