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Dear Sir/Madam,

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 5

Application No: AL/11/24/OUT
Site Address: Land East of Westergate Westergate
Description of works: Hybrid application consisting of: 1) Outline permission for all matters reserved (except access) for up to 400 No dwellings and associated works and 2) Full planning permission for alterations to site access off Westergate Street and through Pine Close and east-west link road including a bridge over the Lidsey Rife. This application also lies within the parish of Barnham, falls within Strategic Site SD5, CIL Zone 1 (Zero Rated), affects the setting of listed buildings, affects the character and appearance of the Eastergate Church Lane Conservation Area, affects public rights of way. This application is the subject of an Environmental Statement.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 24th March 2024 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

OWPC65656

Along with ALL of the local community myself and my family strongly object to this proposal. Living in olivers meadow, it is often already like trying to pull onto the M25 when trying to enter the A29 off of our road. The location suggested for access is not only ANOTHER road trying to enter the already overloaded A29 it is completely impractical - on a corner, where many children are already walking to or from school at the busiest times of the day let alone the congestion already caused by the level crossing, pedestrian lights by the school and the ivy Lane pedestrian crossing! That road is not in any which way suitable for access to a suggested housing development that will bring a minimum of another 800 cars. Said roads already cannot only not handle the volume of traffic but westergate is close to becoming an island when significant rainfall currently occurs with surrounding A & B roads are intermittently closed due to flooding. The infrastructure of schools, doctors, dentists, nurseries already cannot support the community at it's current size let alone minimum another 1000 people. If you call the doctors at 8.30am when it opens you are likely 14th in the queue on the phone and in a queue a minimum of 5 deep at the desk. We walk our dogs over the fields most days, I'm told it is a biodiversity corridor with one of few chalk streams in the country. We see evidence of all manners of wildlife over these fields - the damage this would cause would be irreversible. Looking at the neighborhood plan this area is protected by EH2,4, 5 & 6. What is the

point in having policies that cannot protect anything?!

All of our other green areas have slowly disappeared in the area.

The area already this year has been strongly affected by the insufficient water infrastructure. Southern water cannot keep up with the existing demand and lidaey plant requires a significant upgrade before it will be able to - there is sewage coming from the inspection covers in the very fields which they wish to build upon let alone all the other flooding issues in the area such as nyton road, fontwell avenue and shripney road.

The acceptance of this plan would be nothing short of irresponsible by any councillor that accepts it. Arun may have it's plan it's got to provide and a certain amount of houses etc but to put them there would have too many negative effects on the area.

Your views as made above will be considered before the application is determined.

Please be aware that Planning Services operate an 'open file' policy and will publish your comments including your name and address on the website. Please make sure that you have only provided information that you are happy will be published in this way. If you have supplied information belonging to a third party, you must make sure you have their permission to do so. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the website or on the file you will need to confirm this by emailing to planning@arun.gov.uk and I will arrange for it to be destroyed although this means that the content will then be disregarded.

The majority of applications are determined under delegated powers by officers. Further information on the decision making process can be found on the website at :<https://www.arun.gov.uk/what-happens-next>.

Some applications will be determined by the Planning Committee, and I shall write and inform you of the date of the meeting and the procedures for public speaking if this is the case. However, if your representation has been received after the agenda for the meeting has been finalised and the notifications have been generated, you will not receive notification. In this case, you will need to track the progress of the application on the council's website <https://www.arun.gov.uk/planning-application-search>

Any comments that are received after the agenda has been finalised will be separately reported to the members of the Planning Committee.

Regardless of how the application is determined I will notify you of the decision.

Yours sincerely



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

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