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Dear Sir/madam,
I am writing with regard to the planning application listed above, and stating my objections.

The document I have seen quotes Justification: ADC Policy H SP1; NPPF5

This is regarding the proposed development by Carla homes of 400 houses on land east of Westergate.
The land is in the Arun local plan as a RECREATION AREA of the building area on farmland with the proposal of 1250 homes!
Clearly there is no joined up thinking here.

In this proposal, the A29 does not support access in the proposed access areas of Pine Close, Ivy Lane and St Richards Road.

There is no infrastructure; no schools, no doctors, no community facilities such as recreation or libraries etc.

Schools are now overcrowded, and children are now having to be sent to Crawley. Would you find this acceptable for your children/grandchildren?

As for dentists, people are now being sent to Gosport!

We have an ongoing sewage problem; sewers have been collapsing in the area in the last 4 months, with multiple road closures, polluted water courses; sewage in the roads and fields. Basically it is disgusting, and very much a health hazard which will only get worse if any more building goes ahead.

We have had extensive areas of building with houses being built on a flood plain and more in the pipeline; (excuse the pun!).

We are reduced to living in what I would call third world conditions; it is an absolute disgrace.

The A29 has to be properly realigned before any developmental work takes place, and constructed to cope with the sewage and environmental conditions prevailing now as a result of all the building that has already taken place.

Sewage treatment facilities are already beyond capacity.

We are permanently reliant on a pump to reduce our sewage and waste as it is; this has been going on for months.

We now dump our sewage on what was once our blue flag beaches; and our MP seems to think that is acceptable.

What sort of a world are we living in?

Apparently the rife is a chalk stream; it is being polluted. A chalk stream is a unique environment. There is supposed to be a biodiversity corridor; it will be cut in half by the proposed road.

The whole thing is ridiculous.

There are proposals for 400 houses here; 1250 houses on the farmland, and 551 houses in Eastergate.

If you would care to come here in rush hour, you will find the place is gridlocked; the air quality polluted and no-one can get anywhere. If the building goes ahead, the traffic will be even more increased. for example, each house has on average 2-3 cars.

Fontwell Avenue has had 3-way traffic lights for most of the last 8 months. We were told it would be for 13 weeks! On top of that, the road has been closed on numerous occasions due to flooding and repairs to existing roadworks. It is closed yet again this weekend as I write. This flooding is due to overbuilding; but still it goes on. Building houses that people can't afford, with not enough affordable housing.

People are being brought in from outside the area in their droves; including those who appear to need help rather than being dumped in the community.

Footpaths need to be redirected; where to?

We were once known as the 5 villages; it is now an urban sprawl with no infrastructure.

I wrote to my MP before Christmas, who sympathised and assured me he understood the situation. But it was a case of "not my problem"; he seems to have sloping shoulders when any crisis occurs in his constituency. I thought he was elected to serve us. Does he want to get re-elected? It seems not.

Do I need to go on?

I have no confidence or faith in Arun District Council; West Sussex County Council; Southern Water and the government. My council tax bill has increased. All these companies need to be held responsible for our environmental demise.

Yours sincerely,

Lesley Suter

