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Subject: AL/11/24/OUT Aldingbourne Neighbourhood Development Plan

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Dear Sir/Madam,

26th March 2024

Re: Planning Application AL/11/24/OUT

I wish to strongly OBJECT to this Planning Application.

This regards the proposed development by Carla Homes of 400 houses on land to the east of Westergate, 551 houses at Eastergate and 1250 homes on farmland..

There is no infrastructure in place nor proposed to realistically allow for this. There are no more school places (children are currently having to be sent to Crawley), no extra Doctor's Surgeries nor staff (a recent survey confirmed that waiting times to see a GP in West Sussex were amongst the worst in the country) and no dentists with availability.

The ongoing problem with sewage and water is well known but again needs to be re emphasized. Fontwell Avenue (the A29) has now had to close due to the appalling condition of the road with ongoing flooding (note the extensive number of new houses along the road). Tarmac and concrete only increase the risk of flooding due to lack of natural soak away capacity. Sewers in the area have been collapsing for months with sewage in the roads, fields and people's homes. We have already been reliant on pumps to reduce our sewage and waste and treatment works are already beyond capacity. To build yet more houses on a flood plain is an inexcusable and unthinkable nonsense.

The A29 would need to be properly re aligned before any developmental work could be considered. The rife is a chalk stream, which is a unique environment. The bio diversity corridor will be cut in half by the proposed road. It also does not provide adequate access.

Before any new developments go ahead in this area the issue of infrastructure - including schools, GP surgeries, traffic management, water drainage and waste management need to be addressed as a matter of urgency.

I strongly object to this proposal.

Yours faithfully,

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