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Kelly-Anne Smith
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Ref:AL/11/24/OUT

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to make clear my objection to the planning application for 400 houses in the fields to the East of Westergate, reference: AL/11/24/OUT. I object for the following reasons.

First of all I believe that this development will greatly impact on the local area through even more strain being put on the already inadequate sewage treatment works. Not only have we had tankers pumping sewage away for months

from Barnham lane to prevent it flowing out on to the road and in to the Rife, there has been sewage persistently leaking from the inspection covers sitting in a field south of the proposed site which has also been leaking in to the Rife which is a chalk stream and should be protected.

The flooding, which is an enormous issue in the area, can only be made worse through the overburden of flood plains with yet more housing. The pumping station in Fontwell avenue has been pouring water down the main A29 causing it to be closed on numerous occasions causing travel chaos in the surrounding area.

I would like to see more investment in the Lidsey sewage treatment works and flood defences to protect those already living here before any further building is carried out.

This area has biodiversity corridor running through it and a chalk stream in the form of the Eastergate rife. I frequently walk around these fields and have myself observed an abundance of wildlife that would be greatly impacted by this development. I myself have seen deer, slow worms, pipistrelle bats and buzzards many times and I believe we have a duty of care to leave some of these beautiful green spaces alone to be a place where these species can thrive.

Last of all, I find it incredible that anyone would think that the A29 can cope with 800 plus vehicles that would have access through Pine Close. The A29 is at capacity most days with traffic. There are frequent queues that happen when the train crossing is down which is due to get much worse and more frequent, due to Southern Rail doubling the amount of trains on their timetable. This not only has an impact on congestion but also the amount of pollution in the area.

I have lived here for some years now and have always loved being part of the six villages community and feel that serious consideration needs to be made before blighting these beautiful fields with yet more housing.

Sincerely
Mrs. K. Smith

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