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From: Laura Neilson [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2024 1:37 pm
To: [REDACTED]
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a local resident in the village of Westergate and I am submitting an objection to the proposed new development of 400 Cala Homes.

Firstly, this area is a biodiversity corridor hosting and housing an abundance of protected birds, fauna & wildlife such as owls, bats, woodpeckers & water vole - most which I've seen in my own back garden.

The Aldingbourne parish neighbourhood development plan protects this area under a number of key policies, namely:

- EH2 green infrastructure & watercourses
- EH4 protection of watercourses
- EH5 surface water management plan
- EH6 protection of trees & hedgerows

There's a lack of sewage infrastructure where by we've witnessed raw sewage many times spilling out onto these said fields and land. The Lindsey treatment works is already beyond capacity! Southern water strongly advised against any more homes as it's already overburdened.

Local primary schools are all full with long waiting lists. The only GP surgery with a few miles radius is Eastergate surgery is massively oversubscribed.

We can't even get an NHS dentist within a 25 mile radius!

Traffic wise - the Westergate street is gridlocked multiple times a day already with the train crossing causing pollution from engines & HGV's that use this as a rat run. Continuous road flooding with multiple local road closures and drainage collapses over the last 6 months have caused utter chaos with road closures & diversions.

Shripney road which is the main route to Bognor and Littlehampton, Bersted has been closed multiple times due to flooding because of severe lack of green space to soak up said water.

We've only lived here 18 months and in that time there have been 3 new developments already built within a mile radius of our home.

The village is already struggling in terms of traffic, flooding, lack of infrastructure & facilities. Not to mention the impact this loss of green space for walks will have on people's mental health.

Best Wishes,
Laura Neilson
36 Ivy Lane
Westergate

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