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From [REDACTED]
Sent: 01 January 2019 11:40
To: Planning
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FAO Planning officer Mr Michael Eastham.

Dear Sir

Please find the attached objection to the above planning application.
Are the objections listed under the previous application, AL/11/16/Out, still taken into account or do new objections have to be raised, bearing in mind this is a re submission?

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29 Dec 2018.

Planning application AL/129/18/OUT

Dear Sir

I wish to place my strong objections to the above application, a resubmission of AL/111/16.

I did submit my objections to the original application which should still be on file. This resubmission does nothing to alleviate the fears held previously.

The field in question has again been stripped of vegetation and any wildlife that may have moved back onto what is a declared Bio-diversity corridor in the Aldingbourne Neighbourhood Local Plan has again been destroyed and deliberately eliminated. To use "tidying up the field" as an excuse is pretty pathetic.

I note the developer is claiming that by removing a small number of intended houses from the development to allow a marginal increase in the "green spaces" for the site is sufficient to allow them to resubmit the application. Nothing mentioned as of today re the original reason for the refusal of AL/111/16, although I do note the Planning Officer has also noted this.

Two further items need to be highlighted. The planned widening of the road junction A29/ Orchard Gardens gives me the greater concern than the actual application to build. Bearing in mind that a similar and almost identical application in 2012 to widen the road on the Southern side of the Woodgate Railway Crossing (Woodgate Road) went to appeal and the Inspector refused the application and stated that there was no merit in it and highlighted that safety concerns over adding a "lane" to allow free flowing traffic was paramount in his mind.

Appeal Reference: APP/C3810/A/11/2163208. 20 June 2102

Surely the same applies to adding a free flowing north running lane which would initially create horrendous traffic problems during construction on what is already an overcrowded road. That does not take into account the stupefying problems that would result during the actual construction of this road widening exercise. Should a plan that would lead to massive traffic jams most of the day and especially when the Woodgate Crossing is closed be allowed. Traffic, under current conditions, is held up as far back as the Eastergate War memorials and the Lidsey road "bends" during rush hours.

There are already many problems with car parking when children are delivered to and picked up from Aldingbourne Primary School, both on the A29 itself and in Orchard Gardens and Elmcroft Place. How can the safety of children and parents trying to access the school be guaranteed and where would they park? Where would the construction traffic park? Orchard Gardens itself? The road is too narrow and is of minimum width and that has to be reason enough to refuse the application once again. To have house construction traffic and road building traffic using and parking in Orchard Gardens would lead to serious health, environmental welfare and safety concerns for the residents of both Orchard Gardens, Woodgate Park and along Westergate Street and the school itself.

What is the point in spending thousands of pounds, probably hundreds of thousands, on a project that will cause massive problems, ecological, environmental and health problems to local residents when in a few years time the proposal by Network Rail is that once BEW is ongoing and the rerouted A29 is in place the Woodgate crossing will be closed. No through traffic only local traffic and pedestrians.

I also note that an application to build a number of houses at Lidsey was very recently unanimously refused when your own planning officer commented to the ADC Planning Committee that "the plan was premature given a development of 2300 homes for the Barnham Westergate and Eastergate area".

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Bearing in mind 70+ homes are currently being built in Hook Lane, 260+ currently under construction at Nyton Nurseries and plans have been submitted for 300 homes off Westergate Street by Cala homes plus the proposed 2300 BEW development plan what possible necessity for a further 55 homes on a site that has been identified as outside the ANLP building can be given.

I make no apologies for the length of this objection to the proposed development.

D M Leonard