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Dear Sir/Madam,

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town & country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 5

Application No: AL/79/20/OUT
Site Address: Land to West of Hook Lane Hook Lane Westergate PO20 3TE
Description of works: Outline planning application with some matters reserved (Layout, Scale, Appearance and Landscaping are to be determined as reserved matters) for the construction of 10 No. dwellings & the creation of a new vehicular & pedestrian access on to Hook Lane. This application is a Departure from the Development Plan.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 24th November 2020 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

OWPC31610

Hook Lane has taken more than its fair share of development over the past 3-4 years and can take no more. The lane is narrow with pinch points and blind bends making it extremely difficult for vehicles to pass safely in many places. The lane is used as a cut through and there is a marked increase in speeding traffic. Why has the 30 mph sign never been replaced? The proposed site is often waterlogged with excess water seeming to be an issue in this area. The David Wilson Homes project caused a flood in Aldingbourne School grounds. More recently on the morning of Sunday 15 November 2020 there was a flood in Hook Lane at the junction with Westergate Street. Could this potentially have been caused by the new homes with their paved frontage. The shop has been closed for the last 6-7 months with the post office section not in operation for some time before that. It is our understanding that building work needs to be undertaken including the roof. It would seem that the Co-Op have become involved as there is currently a notice on the building stating they have applied for a Alcohol licence. Schools in the area are over subscribed which would mean extra car journeys. The bus service only runs 2 hourly up to 5 pm with no service on Sunday. Barnham Station is more than walking distance for any commuter. Other services such as doctors surgeries cannot cope with all the new developments in the area. Assuming Springfield goes ahead the proposed site will increase access points in one small stretch of this lane from four to six and this is at one of the narrower spots. The proposed detached home on the frontage will look directly over our bungalow removing our privacy and taking away natural light. The proposed access point means we will have car headlights shining directly into our lounge. Instead of building on this greenfield site, which provides a buffer space for nature, we would ask the planning

department to look at ensuring existing banked and brown field sites are redeveloped. We understand that funds raised from the sale of this land are to be used to build Pacso headquarters in central Bognor or Chichester but this is not good enough reason to grant planning permission. Hook Lane has already taken a greater share of new homes than it ever should have and we urge you to do the right thing and refuse permission for the sake of the local community.

Barry and Susan Williams

Your views as made above will be considered before the application is determined.

Please be aware that Planning Services operate an 'open file' policy and will publish your comments on the website. Please make sure that you have only provided information that you are happy will be published in this way. If you have supplied information belonging to a third party, you must make sure you have their permission to do so. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the website or on the file you will need to confirm this by emailing to planning@arun.gov.uk and I will arrange for it to be destroyed although this means that the content will then be disregarded.

The majority of applications are determined under delegated powers by officers. Further information on the decision making process can be found on the website at :<https://www.arun.gov.uk/planning-decision-process>.

Some applications will be determined by the Development Control Committee, and I shall write and inform you of the date of the meeting and the procedures for public speaking if this is the case. However, if your representation has been received after the agenda for the meeting has been finalised and the notifications have been generated, you will not receive notification. In this case, you will need to track the progress of the application on the council's website <https://www.arun.gov.uk/weekly-lists>

Any comments that are received after the agenda has been finalised will be separately reported to the members of the Development Control Committee.

Regardless of how the application is determined I will notify you of the decision.

Yours sincerely



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

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