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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 22nd January 2021 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

OWPC33170

To whom it may concern.

We strongly oppose this proposed development due to the following reasons;

1. The road is clearly unsuitable for the amount of houses currently situated on and off Hook Lane. Adding another development of multiple houses would severely add to the unsafety of this road, especially when the proposed development is within 50m of 2 further developments, nearly totalling 100 houses within a small stretch of a lane. The lane is already a dangerous road with many using it as a cut through. Both accesses to the lane are dangerous with blind corners and a busy railway crossing at either side.

2. When purchasing our current home the land adjoining (proposed for the development) was highlighted outside the Built-Up Area identified for Aldingbourne within the adopted Arun District Local Plan, leading us to believe this could not be built on and had a huge impact on us purchasing our property. The development would result in the loss of a valuable green space which contributes to the transition between the built up area & the more rural character beyond. The wildlife is rife within this area with our garden frequently visited by multiple animals especially the protected Great Crested Newt which access via our back garden fence. This proposal would again decrease their natural habitat.

3. The proposed plans do not take into consideration the existing properties it adjoins too. The largest

dwelling on the proposed development would be situated less than 2 metres from our boundary fence, severely blocking out light on a south facing garden and also being extremely unsightly to have a consistent view of large brick house so close to ours.

I sincerely hope you take into account these reasons and also the reasons of my fellow Hook Lane residents in your review of this proposal. With these reasons alone this development ruins yet another part of the great Arun countryside for very little gain. Surely there must several better sites within the area to fulfil your housing development quota that will not have such a big impact as this one.

Yours sincerely

Christopher and Emma Hardy

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

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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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