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Sent: 22 September 2016 09:18
To: Planning Scanning
Subject: FW: AL/83/16/OUT - Objection letter
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Regards
Tracey

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From: Simon Davis
Sent: 21 September 2016 09:43
To: Planning.Responses
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Objection.

Kind Regards

Simon J Davis BA (Hons) DipTp MRTPI | Principal Planning Officer, Planning Department, Arun District Council |
Location: 1st Floor, Arun Civic Centre, Maltravers Road, Littlehampton, BN17 5LF

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Sent: 21 September 2016 08:37
To: Simon Davis
Subject: AL/83/16/OUT - Objection letter

Dear Mr Davis,

Please find attached a letter objecting to the Application AL/83/16/OUT for 8 new houses at Barnside, Hook Lane, Aldingbourne.

The letter is in a pdf format. Please confirm that you have received this email and letter by return.

Yours faithfully,

E. M. Sturgess

Laburnums,
Hook Lane,
Aldingbourne
PO20 3TE

Mr Simon Davis (Case Officer)
Arun Civic Centre
Littlehampton

20/09/2016

Dear Mr Davis,

Re: AL/83/16/OUT - Barnside, Hook Lane, Aldingbourne

I wish to object to the above Application for 8 houses in the field next to Barnside.

I am an Aldingbourne Parish Councillor and I have been involved in working on the Neighbourhood Plan for 4 years. Aldingbourne has a statutory need for 30 houses. However, already speculative developers have obtained planning permission for over 1000 percent more houses than Arun District Council told us the Parish needed to build.

The Aldingbourne Development Plan (ANDP) has recently been passed by the Examiner so now has legal status.

The proposal is outside the Settlement Boundary and a departure from the Arun Development Plan (GEN 2) and ANDP Policy EH1. EH1.1 "The boundary sets the distinction between the built form of Aldingbourne and the surrounding countryside and will protect the countryside from unnecessary development".

It is also contrary to ANDP Policy EH3.1 (maintaining the rural aspect of the Parish) and is based upon NPPF 3 and 11 conservation policies.

Although this is a lesser number of houses than AL/8/16/OUT, the housing density, particularly along the road side is much greater than the existing density and character of this part of Hook Lane. Five houses are compressed along the lane creating a very high density feel. There is a large space left behind & is defined as an "Ecological Mitigation" field which could be a future threat re in-filling. The application is only outline and his previous application which your office saw fit to refuse, was for 14 houses.

This development is contrary to Policies H1 (Quality of design) and H3 ("The density of the new development shall be appropriate to its location by virtue of size, siting and relationship to existing properties").

The **sustainability** aspect of this site conflicts with ANDP Policy H6(iii) since there is no access to a range of Transport modes. The bus service is almost non-existent. The rural lane is unsuitable for urban-like development. It is unlit with no pavement along most of it. 85% of Westergate residents use cars on a regular basis.

Around 40 extra car movements daily would result from 8 new houses which would only add to the anticipated Hook Lane congestion. The A29 junction will have even longer exit queues at peak times which will cause mayhem I am sure due to the proximity of both the Level Crossing and the corner shop to the junction.

Hook Lane has great bio-diversity and there are many bats and owls. The ecology survey of Barnside confirms that GCNs are present in the ponds on the site. This is yet more reason to leave this area undisturbed. The whole concept of this planning application is not in keeping with the character of Hook Lane. It conflicts with Arun's Policy Gen 2 as it is outside the built up area Boundary & Gen 3 -protection of the countryside.

Yours faithfully,

Elaine Sturgess