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To: Simon Davis; [REDACTED]

Subject: Planning Application AL/83/16/OUT

> Dear Mr Davis,

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> I am writing with reference to application AL/8/16/OUT - planning application for 8 houses on Hook Lane.

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> Whilst they have taken a great deal of effort to put forward this application, there are a number of reasons why this should not be successful.

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> Most importantly, this proposal is outside the settlement boundary and conflicts with the Arun Policy with regards to protecting our countryside.

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> 1. Access - While the initial access onto the site is ok and line of site is acceptable, no thought has been considered to the entrance onto Hook Lane from either end. Both ends offer restricted view. The Westergate end is very busy and pulling out of the junction is fair even at the best of times. The Oving end of Hook Lane is not only still quiet busy, but you are pulling out onto a national speed limit road on a slight corner. Along with this is the deterioration of the Lane with this increased traffic. The lane already has an uneven surface and verges that are collapsing

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> 2. Walkers - Hook Lane is a country lane and two cars have to slow in order to pass one another. Here we have the issue of walkers, children, dogs, cyclists and horses. The lane has no road markings as it is too small to warrant this. Even now it is busy and having both walked along with children and dogs as well as cycled along the lane, I would seriously consider the danger that more households would add to this risk.

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> 3. Flooding. Currently, much of our roads flood badly during winter, with water across the lane restricting access. Adding more houses would not only increase this due to run off, but would also cause further harm to our flood courses, which are stretched already. Importantly it conflicts with the Arun Neighbourhood and Local Flood Management Plans.

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> 4. Amenities. Whilst there are a few amenities in close vicinity. Shop, pub, bus stop, school. The broader view is that vast majority would travel this distance by car again putting further strain on vehicle movement. Hook Lane does not have any real facilities to support extra houses. The doctors surgery is currently already around 55% over subscribed, adding further households, will further increase this.

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> The Neighbourhood Development Plan proposed housing has been exceeded by 1000% and this application does not support the plan in terms of Transport, our National Framework, Conservation, Flooding and Safety. These are highly important factors and are of paramount importance given the rural nature of our parish, which needs to be protected. The site is also a green field site and carries no justification for this development.

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> These points whilst not conclusive only scratch the surface and can be further explained in greater detail, but offer a broader view as to why this development has no grounds and is totally unacceptable in this area.

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> I fully understand the need for housing in our area, but thought has to be given to justifying this and ensuring the local amenities, safety, ecosystems and infrastructure can support this. This development falls way short of these key aspects and permission should not be granted.

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> I hope these points raise some questions for you.

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> Yours sincerely

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> David

> Local Resident.