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From: Aldingbourne Parish [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 March 2018 12:47
To: Simon Davis
Subject: Al/83/16/OUT Land at Barnside Hook Lane

The Parish Council has now had an opportunity to review your report to Committee in respect of this application which was the subject of a judicial review in December 2017.

The Parish Council understands you have recommended approval of application AL/83/16/OUT and wishes the Committee members to be aware of The Parish Council's concerns and those of parishioners.

Specifically:

-That the Aldingbourne Neighbourhood Plan is a recently made plan which was approved at referendum in 2016, just 18 months ago with over 90% support.

-That the Neighbourhood Plan specifically resists the loss of Best and Most Versatile land (pp.32 - 33) and that a special policy test applies to this (i.e. whether the loss of Best and Most Versatile land is clearly outweighed by 8 units).

Aldingbourne Parish Council considers that

- i. The housing proposed is not specifically to support an agricultural enterprise or other land-based rural business as required by policy EH3.
- ii) Given that the proposal is to build 8 units, the weight that can be attached to that benefit is small and will be a drop in the ocean of Arun's overall housing land situation.
- iii) The loss of BMV land is something national policy resists and is important for the local economy, it should therefore carry significant weight,
- (iv) the NPPF places great weight on neighbourhood plans (paras.184-185) and the Parish Council considers that significant harm that will be caused to public confidence in plan making locally will be great. **Therefore there is a conflict with EH3 which should carry substantial weight in the planning balance.**

The Parish Council considers as such, those harms do significantly and demonstrably outweigh the modest benefit of 8 new units and planning permission should therefore be refused.

Kind Regards
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Clerk to Aldingbourne Parish Council

