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Dear Mr Cronin

RE: OBJECTION TO FARGRO PLANNING APPLICATION REFERENCE A/74/13

I am writing to express my objection to the above Planning Application on various grounds.

Firstly, I am concern about an increase in risk to driver safety as a result of additional traffic, especially heavy vehicles, manoeuvring on and off the A27. I can draw from my experience as a Resident in Poling and as a qualified Driving Instructor on cars (including heavy commercial vehicles some years ago) that knowing and recognising the hazards involved in manoeuvring on and off the A27 helps us to keep safe. However, an increase in volume of traffic surely will only increase the risk of a crash. Obviously there are ways to reduce the risks perhaps by building Acceleration and De-acceleration Lanes, reducing the speed limit, blocking the "U" Turn to Worthing etc. If it led to the Gap at Poling Street being blocked, I would be very angry probably along with everyone in the area! The way things are, it is fine but add volume of traffic to this and the risks in my view would greatly increase. Not to mention the impact that more traffic would have on the long tail-backs from the traffic light junction at Crossbush.

Please continue over for my other objections...

Other key points of objection:

- Change of use of our countryside from agricultural land to industrial and the subsequent loss of that land forever.
- The existing development at The Vineries is large enough and should not spill out of its current boundary.
- The development will be out of keeping with the historical setting of the village. Kim Lesley author of "A Sense of Place" refers to, "*Poling as a precious place still in tune with its setting*". I am aiming to keep it this way. It is a unique village which needs preserving.
- This development would damage the environment e.g. by having an adverse effect on the flora. I walk across that field most days and have seen the wild life enjoying that natural space, particularly our precious bees collecting nectar from a sea of clover.
- Loss of amenity, loss of countryside views from homes and when I am walking (as mentioned above). I moved to Poling to be close to nature and away from the urban. My health has improved since I have been here. The threat and development of the site is already adversely affecting my health as I am having to write this objection because I am feeling threatened, when I need to be relaxing after a stressful week and doing other things. The wellbeing of many others will be affected too.

Thank you for reading this and I should be grateful if you would take all this into account on my behalf.

