

13th March 2014

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Dear Sirs

Re. Barratts' Revised Planning Application A/82/12

Further to my letter dated 13th September 2012, I wish to object to the now revised planning application A/82/12 in the strongest terms for the following reasons:

I have lived in the village with my family since my daughter was born nine years ago. We wanted our daughter to experience the quality of village life that we both enjoyed whilst growing up. In the intervening time we have seen severe challenges to the overall village infrastructure, including congested, and often dangerous roads, insufficient school capacity – my daughter is in a class of 38 and the threat of recent flooding.

Whilst not ignoring the reality of (some) new housing stock we cannot be subjected to the start of another Bramley Green scenario. This revised application is but one part of a slide towards that end. There can be no local justification for another 139 (reduced from 500 with 30% 'affordable') houses all in one place – and who exactly is going to buy and indeed afford any of them? There similarly can be no argument on the basis for more 'social housing' in one place – recent investigation identified less than 20 local families with any additional need. 30% of 139 are 41.7 houses – how does that work?

Opportunities for local employment are minimal and likely to be low wage. These are not going to be people with the budget to afford these new houses. Those that can will be forced to commute elsewhere adding to existing problems! There is already unsold housing stock elsewhere in the Arun area that should be exploited first.

The concentrated development on one side of the village would inevitably create even more traffic problems in terms of access to A27, capacity of A259, schools and access to shops – including parking. Living off the High Street we are already subjected to access problems and speeding traffic through a designated conservation area.

It seems to me that all this leads to a direct compromise of the very reason why anyone would choose to move into our village and is a definite threat to our right as existing

residents to a reasonable quality of life. This demonstrates a blatant disregard for the Government Policy regarding sustainability and quality of family life.

On a much smaller scale, but one that could enhance the centre of the village (if carefully planned and managed) is the Chandlers BMW site that will become available in due course. Whilst still presenting challenges for village infrastructure it should be more of a priority.

I would hope that common sense will prevail and that the decision will be taken to protect this village so that my daughter can continue to enjoy it and grow up safely appreciating the quality of life that she deserves.

Yours faithfully

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Tim Sorensen FCMI

CC: Save Angmering

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Dear Sirs

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I wish to object to planning application A/82/12 in the strongest terms for the following reasons:

I have lived in the village with my family since my daughter was born seven and a half years ago. We wanted our daughter to experience the village life that we both enjoyed whilst growing up. In the intervening time we have seen severe challenges to the overall village infrastructure, including congested, and often dangerous roads, insufficient school capacity – my daughter has just started in Year 3 in a class of 37 and the consequences of recent flooding.

Whilst not ignoring the reality of (some) new housing stock we cannot be subjected to another Bramley Green scenario. This application is but one part of a slide towards that end. There can be no local justification for another 150 houses all in one place – and who exactly is going to buy and indeed afford them? There similarly can be no argument on the basis for more 'social housing' in one place – recent investigation identified less than 20 local families with any additional need.

Opportunities for local employment are minimal and likely to be low wage. These are not going to be people with the budget to afford these houses. Those that can will be forced to commute elsewhere adding to existing problems! There is already unsold housing stock elsewhere in the Arun area that should be exploited first.

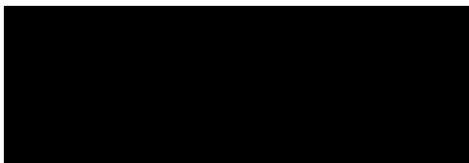
The concentrated development on one side of the village would inevitably create even more traffic problems in terms of access to A27, capacity of A259 (and unknown consequences of new Asda build), schools and access to shops – including parking. Living off the High Street we are already subjected to a grid locked road and speeding traffic through a designated conservation area.

It seems to me that all this leads to a direct compromise of the very reason why anyone would choose to move into our village and is a definite threat to our right as existing residents to a reasonable quality of life. This demonstrates a blatant disregard for the Government Policy regarding sustainability and quality of family life.

Finally, and by no means least, the timing of this application is very strategic and should not even be considered whilst Arun contemplates its own plan together with Angmering's draft Neighbourhood Plan.

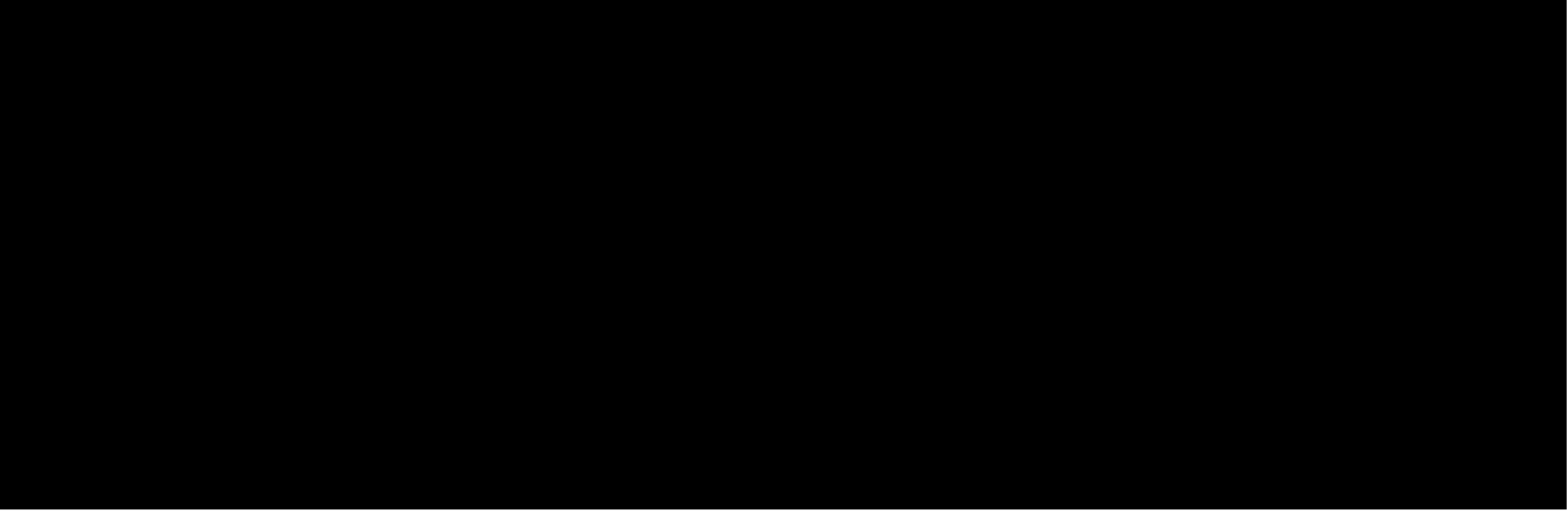
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CC: Nick Herbert MP
Angmering Parish Council
Save Angmering



From: Peter Cleveland
Sent: 13 March 2014 09:31
To: Planning.Responses
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Planning Application A/82/12 - Revised

Hi

Please could the attached be acknowledged as an objection to A/82/12.

Thanks
Peter



Hi Peter

I attach my objection letter to the revised planning application A/82/12 submitted by Barratts' together with for original letter dated 13th September 2012. My reasons remain largely the same.

Thank you.

Tim Sorensen and family