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Subject: Planning Application A/82/12

I am writing to you to express my dismay at the thought that the above Planning Application should go ahead. This proposed development is neither wanted nor needed by the area. I note that the developer has reduced the proposed number of houses from 150 to 139. However, this does not make a significant difference to my position. The position remains the same for me as it did in my email dated 26th September, 2013 which also objected to the planned residential build. I have copied them below for you:

- There is no need for extra housing in Angmering. The existing and new housing stock is not selling. Angmering has grown by over a quarter with the houses that were added by the Bramley Green development. That was enough. It is a village and has sufficient housing for the villagers. There are already many unfinished/unstarted developments and unsold new houses in Arun. Moreover, Angmering does not need 30% of development as social housing. Neither does it need expensive large houses. Surely those that already live in the village have a right to decent quality of life?
- The proposed development to my mind is contrary to local and government policies
 - I understand the policy of Arun is to build small developments on brownfield sites. Not large scale developments on Greenfield/Nursery sites as this proposal is
 - Increasing the number of residents on the road will add to the pollution (contrary to government policy)
 - This development should not be authorised or allowed prior to the completion of the Arun Plan or the Angmering Neighbourhood Plan. Arun has a draft Local Plan still in the Consultation phase. The Angmering Neighbourhood Plan is being written and will go to referendum later this year. For Arun District Council to decide on Planning Applications before the Consultation process is completed is premature and contrary to the interests of local democracy
 - The policy of Arun is also to avoid building outside the built-up area boundary
- There are other more sustainable sites within the built-up area boundary that could take these 38 houses (e.g. the Chandlers site in the village)
- The local road infrastructure is not able to support the current population and its car usage. The A259 is consistently grid-locked at rush hour. There are queues already all the way along Roundstone Lane for example. There is inadequate parking for those wishing to use the local shops. If we throw in the cars from this proposed development the increased congestion will be damaging to the environment and the local buildings and will surely lead to increased traffic accidents.
- The local schools are not equipped for this
 - There are not sufficient spaces for the proposed influx of families

- Classes will be overcrowded
- The schools are not located near this proposed development so there will be further congestion and lowered levels of highway safety as parents are forced to drive their children to school
- There will be greater congestion as more pupils are driven to the schools
- Angmering pupils will have to be schooled elsewhere while out-of-area children of the schools' faiths are schooled in Angmering
- Other aspects of the local services will be adversely impacted as well:
 - The local bus service is not good enough even now
 - There is a shortage in the local water supply
 - The sewer system cannot cope with the increased capacity
 - The land is already prone to flooding (e.g. Cow Lane) and this development will merely exacerbate that situation
- The current medical services (doctors' surgeries, hospitals..etc.) are inadequate right now. The increased pressure on them from an influx of new residents will likely cause them to falter

For all the above reasons I am objecting to this proposed development and to any other proposed developments of this scale or even greater that may be in the pipeline. Angmering is not the right place for these houses. There is not the demand and there is most definitely not the infrastructure to support them.

Yours sincerely,

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