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The Planning Department
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Dear Sir

Re Planning Application A/82/12 – Land to the east of Roundstone Lane,
Angmering BN16 4AL

I wish to **object** to the revised planning application made by Barratt David Wilson Ltd.

There is no local housing need for such a large development. Angmering has already expanded dramatically over the last twelve years with the building of the Bramley Green estate. There are now so many houses in Angmering that a considerable number are always available for sale and many can remain unsold for some time. Angmering has taken more than its fair share of new housing developments and there has to be time when this must stop.

It seems grossly unfair that Angmering is being picked out for even more development when many other villages in the West Sussex area remain untouched. If there is a housing need in the county, then all villages should be extended in the same way as Angmering has over the years. Arun Planning Authority must ensure that an even distribution of new housing takes place in all towns and villages and must not allow developers to target and destroy Angmering village.

Any new houses that are built in the future should just meet local needs and be limited in number and spread throughout the village. It seems unreasonable that large developments are being proposed to the east of the village when Angmering is already over developed to the east and south east.

Many local jobs were lost from the former nurseries that existed on the site of the Bramley Green estate. No new local jobs have been provided in Angmering village for the residents who live on this massive estate let alone any new people who may move to the village. Arun Council should be encouraging employers to the village not developers. Many of the existing residents have to travel extremely long distances way outside the Arun area for employment which increases the traffic congestion and a considerable number of people now have to travel to London for work. In this respect, the trains are overcrowded and the parking at Angmering Station already overflows into the surrounding roads.

There is already a continual stream of slow moving traffic on the A259 between Worthing and Littlehampton at many times of the day. The level of traffic congestion on this road has increased alarmingly over the last two years. It can often take a long time to pull out of Roundstone Lane and any further development will make this unacceptable level of congestion even worse.

The centre of the village is at risk of flooding and a large area did flood during the summer of 2012. It would be unfair for the residents in the village centre and those to the west of Roundstone Lane to be made more prone to flooding with a large development adding more surface water to the drainage system.

The bus services for Angmering are already inadequate. They are not that frequent and only run locally. The only useful bus service, the 700, does not serve the village or the site where this development is proposed. Any new residents would have no choice but to travel by car adding to the air pollution which has already increased with the high level of traffic congestion.

This planning application is being made for a development on a green field site and should therefore be refused. Using green fields is most profitable for a developer but is not beneficial for the environment.

I moved to Angmering because of its village nature. This proposed large scale development and any others that may be in the pipeline will make Angmering a town. I feel that I have the right to the quality of life I have experienced in the village and the Government has a policy in place to support this view. In this respect, if Angmering was to expand with large scale developments, then my reasons for moving to the village, with all the costs I have incurred, would be lost.

For these reasons, I feel that this application must be refused.

Yours faithfully

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