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The Planning Department
Arun District Council
Arun Civic Centre
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26th March 2014

Dear Sir

APPLICATION A/82/12
139 Houses East of Roundstone Lane

I object to this Planning Application for the following reasons:-

Contravenes Arun's Policy

This site is a greenfield site outside the boundary of the built-up area of the village. There are other more sustainable sites within the built-up area that could be built on first.

Need

There has been no demonstrated requirement for this housing development in Angmering.

Employment

There is insufficient local employment so the buyers would have to commute out of the area to work, leading to increased congestion on already busy roads.

Traffic & Roads + Transport

The traffic using Roundstone Lane is already heavy, particularly during the morning and evening rush hours. On the assumption that all of the proposed households will each have one or two cars this will simply add to the existing traffic problems in Roundstone Lane, through the village and on the A259 – a particular problem on the single carriageway section. The current bus service is inadequate.

Schools

The schools presently in the village have overcrowded classrooms. Primary school children have to cross the A259 to go to school in East Preston – not a safe route to school. Within Angmering itself the traffic congestion is such that no safe route to school exists there either, meaning that more parents take their children to school by car rather than on foot.

Parking in the Village

It is already difficult for people to park in the centre to carry out their shopping. This will be another problem area should the development go ahead.

Timescale

Angmering's residents have spent a great deal of time developing the Neighbourhood Plan. It is important that Arun do not decide on this application whilst this and their own Local Plan are still under discussion and consultation. Obviously all housing developments etc. should comply with both of these Plans.

Flooding

Building houses on the proposed site will reduce the surface area for rain to soak away, increasing the risk flooding occurring. Also the current sewers will not be of sufficient capacity to cope with the high volumes of rainwater we have experienced over the last couple of years. The land is prone to flooding, Cow Lane has a constant stream of water flowing down it after any period of heavy rain.

Yours faithfully

Gabrielle Hadley

cc Nick Herbert MP

cc SAV (Save Angmering Village)