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Dear Sirs

I would like to register my objections to the above planning application on the following grounds:-

- The development is on a greenfield site outside the built-up area, contrary to Arun's policies.
- Any further development should be within the built-up area of the village.
- No application for development should be considered until Angmering's draft Neighbourhood Plan has been completed and approved. To approve such an application would fly in the face of the so-called "localism" policy pronounced by the Government. However, the Government seems to be back-tracking on this aspect of their manifesto by their recent proposals to relax planning rules and fast-track housing development.
- The need for housing development in the area is not proven. New developments around Arun have many houses that have remained unsold for months. The demand for affordable housing could be met by small-scale housing schemes around Arun near areas of employment.
- The pressure on infrastructure, which is already creaking would effect:-
 - Traffic along the A27 and A259 and within the village
 - Water supplies. It was fortuitous that we had such a wet summer as supplies were dangerously low. We understand that the water company has said they can cope with the increased demand – How?
 - Drainage and Flooding, which are already a problem.
 - What happened to the new school.
 - Medical services: to get an appointment with the GP, usually means a wait of 2 weeks. With cut-backs in the NHS, more patients would mean even longer waits, both with GP and hospital appointments
- Angmering is not alone, in being the target of further housing development. Several other parishes in Arun are under similar threat, not to mention adjacent authorities. The cumulative effect, of the realisation of these proposals would be to multiply the problems referred to above. I gather as a result of recent flooding, proposals in respect of other areas in Arun are being revised creating further pressure to build in Angmering.
- Should there be any further development in this part of Angmering, it is essential that there be an exit on to the A280 in order to relieve the pressure on Roundstone Lane.

My husband and I move into the area and this house in 2007. Before moving we made enquiries of your Council about future development and were given to understand that no such further development was planned on the North, East and West of the village. This was one of the main reasons for moving to the area. We recognise that this could never be in tablets of stone. However, this current application together with other possible applications in the future indicates that Angmering would just become part of the South Coast urban sprawl, adding to infrastructure, environmental and amenity problems that already exist. I therefore strongly oppose the application for all the reasons stated above and urge the Council to reject it.

Yours faithfully

R and MJ Skingley