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Planning Applications LU/48/20/PL - Demolition of 1 No. Bungalow and outbuildings and erection of 22 No. Dwellings with associated parking and open spaces

I am writing to express my concern at the proposed development.

The area is considered a flood risk due to proximity to the Black Ditch and being on the Arun flood plain.

The access will be from Old Mead Road and I believe the increase in traffic from 22 dwellings will be considerable. As we are remote from the shops and the schools, householders will need cars to access facilities. This is an unadopted road, of limited width, and as the owners of nos. 6 - 20 own to the middle of the road they are responsible for its upkeep. Although it has been resurfaced recently, it is not up to highway standards and is therefore not sufficiently robust to cope with the heavy construction vehicles going backwards and forwards during construction and the increase in the number of vehicles that will be the result if this application is agreed.

I also believe the proposed development would create a hazard to pedestrians. Although there is a partial footway along the south side of the road, this does not extend for the full length of Old Mead Road and is very overgrown in many places as it is not maintained. As a result, most pedestrians walk in the road itself and the chance of accidents will be greatly increased as a result of the increase in traffic and the poor lighting. Most of the lampposts do not seem to be working.

It is difficult for vehicles to exit Old Mead Road, especially to turn right towards Littlehampton, as you have to cross over the carriageway. The visibility for drivers is restricted by the boundary walls around, and the trees and shrubs within, the front gardens of adjoining properties. Vehicles turning out of Old Mead Road do not always get sufficient warning of traffic coming from Littlehampton. Buses stopping at the bus stop on the Lyminster Road just to the north of Old Mead Road also create periods of limited visibility of traffic coming from Arundel. With a much greater number of vehicles exiting Old Mead Road, the potential for accidents would be greatly increased.

For the above reasons I wish to object to the proposal. Please inform me of the outcome of this application.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Morris