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From: Nancy Mitchell [redacted]
Sent: 16 January 2022 18:58
To: Planning <Planning@arun.gov.uk>
Subject: Fwd: Objection to Housing Development

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Lady Nancy Mitchell
[REDACTED]

Begin forwarded message:

From: Nancy Mitchell [REDACTED]
Date: 16 January 2022 at 18:57:32 GMT
To: planning@arun.gov.uk
Subject: Objection to Housing Development

Dear sir

As per a previous email, I am writing as a member of the 98 Pagham Road household.

I am too, writing to object to the above application (P/153/21/RES) and in addition I would like to apply my objection against the following planning applications as the objection remains the same on all P/167/21/RES, P/155/21/RES, P/158/21/RES.

I too, object to all of the above applications because of the reasons below:

1. Traffic - There is already a sincere lack of jobs in the Pagham/Bognor Regis area and the congestion on the main B2166 already backs up to - roughly - an hour towards Chichester, in between the commuting hours of 8am to 10 am.
2. Health care - there is NOT the available for the current residents to have an appointment with either a doctor or a dentist. As a resident, I currently struggle to be seen to at my local GP, due to huge demand at the practice. Dentists are not accepting anymore patients due to high volume of people needing treatments; this is already an overwhelming issue that will be exasperated by an additional 400 homes in the area.
3. Flooding - Pagham regularly suffers with flooding. The B2166 regularly floods due to the poor drainage and I have witnessed many accidents as the roads fill with water on blind bends. We understand that the consultant drainage engineer for Worthing & ADC has put a holding objection in place for this application.
4. School - there is not enough provision for any additional children in the local schools. This will further add to the traffic along the main road that I have already stated in one of the paragraphs above. These homes will not benefit anyone with children and ultimately cause chaos on the education system in the area as children are already having to travel long lengths to get to a school.
5. Wildlife - the fields along Pagham Road are full of wildlife. From our house on Pagham Road I we often see deer, geese, voles and other small creatures like hedgehogs. Where are they supposed to go? It is utterly inhumane to build along their habitat as most of these creatures are already considered endangered. Pagham is notorious for being a haven for wildlife that city dwellers could not dream of. All of this will be ruined. Along with the beautiful landscape that makes Pagham attractive.

“6. It is noted that SOS (Sussex Ornithology Society) have clearly stated that the mitigation for the Brent geese at this site has FAILED. Arun DC, against the wishes of the author chose not to put this report on the portal even though it was sent to Arun DC in early July 2021, this has delayed further investigations by other parties.”

Additionally, as a personal reference - I have lived in my Pagham Road home for twenty three years and it is an absolute blessing to be able to view the fields, wildlife and view of the downs. My parents bought this home under the impression that due to the flood plain, there would be no developments on this area and that the value of the house will be dramatically decreased due to the eyesore of new homes.

Pagham is a beautiful, quiet village that will lose all of its charm with an entourage of new, overpriced homes that only a select few can afford. All of the qualities that make Pagham a great rural place to live will become void. I am extremely upset that this has been allowed to develop into planning applications. I am also disappointed that Arun District is considering this development after the current climate crisis; destroying the land shows a real lack of awareness and apathy towards our wildlife.

Sincerely,

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