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Dear Sir/Madam,

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 5

Application No: P/178/21/OUT
Site Address: Land West of Pagham Road Pagham
Description of works: Outline application with all matters reserved (except access) for the construction of up to 106 new homes, formation of access onto Pagham Road, new pedestrian and cycle links, the laying out of open space, new strategic landscaping, habitat creation, drainage features and associated ground works and infrastructure. This application is a Departure from the Development Plan and may affect the setting of a Listed Building.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 14th January 2022 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

OWPC43264

I object to this application and all other applications connected with it, and any other planning application in West Sussex proposing the building of more than 10 new dwellings in a wastewater catchment area where there has been incidents of discharge of untreated (or only partially treated) wastewater (irrespective of cause), unless and until: Southern Water achieves its now (2021) promised targets of 80% reduction by 2025 in Cat 1, 2 and 3 polluting incidents by number and discharge volume, and also 80% reduction by 2030 in storm overflows by incident and volume.

Until these targets are met we all need to understand that, meantime, every new dwelling adds an average 336 Litres of wastewater and sewage DAILY to the problem which for storm overflows causes a corresponding increase in wastewater/sewage proportion by volume from currently 30%-50% of spill, varying according to treatment works operational capability and catchment area concerned. Arun District Council has never ever carried out a proper environmental risk impact assessment on the district's wastewater infrastructure for the strategic development sites nor for its Local Plan and, therefore, does not comprehend, or, maybe doesn't wish to comprehend, the consequences of infrastructure inadequacy and the lasting and permanent harm such spills have upon the environment and ecology of our waterways. ADC / CDC, its Officers, its specialists, our Parliamentary representative(s), and our elected Councillors need to understand

this when considering granting (or supporting it by abstaining) Outline or Reserved Matters application approval and in doing so thereby further condemns these environments.

West Sussex alone in 2020 had 3,838 spill incidents from all causes of a combined duration of 50,165 hours of spills of untreated wastewater . 2021 is likely to be same or higher. Some, but not many, might have gone through 1st stage screening to remove non-biodegradable wet wipes, nappies, liners, condoms, tampons and other sanitary products etc but can only therefore be described as partially treated- but ALL spills go straight into the environment. Meaning absolutely everything you/we throw or squirt down the toilet, the sink, drain or bath going direct into the environment . The use of diesel tankers to carry wastewater away elsewhere, even as a temporary measure, gives rise to other unacceptable environmental issues.

Common sense should, surely, mean fix the problem first and then build any new additional houses. This lack of joined up or intelligent thinking applies similarly also to highways (1.6 additional vehicles*), medical care infrastructure (1.2 additional persons*), water supply sourcing, loss of wildlife and habitat with, additionally, the impact of 1.6 cats* and 1.4 dogs* in close proximity to this habitat, and of course loss of permeable land, flooding risk and the now expected consequences of climate change. . How stupid do we wish to be?

Your views as made above will be considered before the application is determined.

Please be aware that Planning Services operate an 'open file' policy and will publish your comments including your name and address on the website. Please make sure that you have only provided information that you are happy will be published in this way. If you have supplied information belonging to a third party, you must make sure you have their permission to do so. If you do not wish your comments to appear on the website or on the file you will need to confirm this by emailing to planning@arun.gov.uk and I will arrange for it to be destroyed although this means that the content will then be disregarded.

The majority of applications are determined under delegated powers by officers. Further information on the decision making process can be found on the website at :<https://www.arun.gov.uk/what-happens-next>.

Some applications will be determined by the Planning Committee, and I shall write and inform you of the date of the meeting and the procedures for public speaking if this is the case. However, if your representation has been received after the agenda for the meeting has been finalised and the notifications have been generated, you will not receive notification. In this case, you will need to track the progress of the application on the council's website <https://www.arun.gov.uk/planning-application-search>

Any comments that are received after the agenda has been finalised will be separately reported to the members of the Planning Committee.

Regardless of how the application is determined I will notify you of the decision.

Yours sincerely



Neil Crowther
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<https://www.arun.gov.uk/privacy-policy/>

If you have provided an email address, all correspondence including the decision notice will be sent by email. It is therefore important that you keep us informed if this changes during the course of this application.

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