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Dear Sir/Madam,

**The Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)**  
**Town & country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 6**

Application No: P/24/20/RES  
Site Address: Land North of Sefter Road & 80 Rose Green Road Pagham  
Description of works: Approval of Reserved Matters pursuant to condition 1 (Reserved Matters details), condition 6 (Design Code Masterplan) and condition 7 (landscaping and layout details) following the approval of Outline planning permission P/134/16/OUT for the erection of 280 dwellings, (including affordable homes), replacement scout hut & Ambulance Community Response Post Facility; provision of a primary vehicular access from Sefter Road; demolition of No. 80 Rose Green Road & creation of a pedestrian & emergency only access; provision of Public Open Spaces including associated children's play areas, landscaping, drainage & earthworks. This application also lies within the parish of Aldwick. This site falls within the Pagham North SD2, CIL Zone 1 (Zero Rated).

Thank you for your internet representation made on 30th May 2020 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

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I strongly object to the Sefter Road development. Part 2 of 2

The West Sussex coast has the highest sunshine hours per week in the summer and best light statistics in terms of intensity and freedom from pollution. Strategic sites that have been targeted are even now growing food that is currently being harvested by one of the largest food packing and manufacturers in the Pagham area. There has been a history of horticultural production in the west and north sides of Pagham Village which has resulted in a population that has local experienced and skilled workers. Importing crops from abroad is not the best option especially as we leave the present source of much horticultural production namely the EU and the recent pandemic has brought to the fore how reliant we are on China. Our new way forward from this should be to buy less and produce more, thereby creating our own self sufficiency, supporting the local economy by increasing our local workforce.

The DEFRA's Feb 2018 Health & Harmony publication states that 'farming makes up over 70% of the UK landscape. It shapes the countryside, influences the quality of our environment, affects the health and abundance of UK wildlife and supports rural communities. Maintaining and improving the economic,

environmental and wide benefits derived from farming will be essential as we leave the EU. Agriculture is also an important livelihood for many in the UK, employing 1.5% of the UK workforce, or 500,000 people'. Farming earns the economy £109 billion per year and employs 3.9 million workers in total. The UK supplied just under 50% of the food consumed in the UK and the leading foreign supplier of food in the UK were countries from the EU (30%). Africa, Asia, North & South America each provided a 4% share of the food consumed in the UK. In 2017 imports of Fruit & Vegetables were £11.1 bn while exports were worth £1.2 bn giving a trade deficit of £9.8 bn. Loss of prime agricultural land could increase our reliance on imports and will result in a lack of self-sufficiency in the food industry.

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 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](mailto: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/planning-decision-process>.

Some applications will be determined by the Development Control 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/weekly-lists>

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

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

Yours sincerely



**Neil Crowther**  
**Group Head of Planning**

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