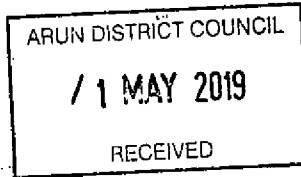


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Dear Sirs

New Hook Lane Planning Application Ref : P/30/19/OUT = 10 Reasons for objections to the Application

- 1 The sewers cannot take any more sewage but Southern Water cannot legally refuse connection to sewage works. They have already emptied raw sewage into Pagham Rife, which then empties into the sea, which our children bathe in!
2. Our local schools are close to capacity, relying on 'Portacabin' style classrooms to ease pressure.
3. With Brexit looming we need to use our best agricultural land to grow our own crops to feed our own people.
4. The South Coast has the best light and climate for food production. We must not build on it. The North of the country does not have the best climate and it's difficult to grow food, build homes in the North and support the Northern powerhouse.
5. Many of our fields are under water in the winter and constantly flood. If you build on this land it will raise the water table and neighbouring homes will be flooded. The make-up of the soil results in constant movement, so the buildings could constantly move.
6. The doctor's surgery cannot cope with the number of residents now and have difficulty in recruiting doctors, they will never cope with another 1200+ homes and residents.
7. The A27 problems impact on the Pagham Road. If you have an appointment in Chichester at 9am be prepared to leave very early and sit in traffic for at least an hour. The Free School recently built in Hunston has increased traffic considerably at peak hours. Our largest local employer, Barfoots, has increased its operation with a packing plant. They will generate over 40,000 large HGV movements a year when at full capacity, as well as a successful bio digester (processing green waste) all using the Pagham Road. None of this was taken into account when deciding these strategic sites, even though WSCC advised ADC it was happy ! **This development has already been refused due the accumulated impact of traffic from other planned developments. In 1999 it was refused because of infrastructure. Nothing has changed, the infrastructure has not been upgraded.** To propose an exit from the 'development' onto Pagham Rd. is outrageous, traffic on this road is already at capacity

and the entrance will be close to the Hook Lane and Sefton Rd. junctions, well known accident black spots which developers refuse to acknowledge.

8 St. Richards hospital is already struggling now to cope with a huge increase in patient numbers, if you need to go to A&E you may have to wait for 6-8 hours to be seen. This is before the houses are built. (add Chichester's housing to our projected figures and we'll see St. Richards go into meltdown with a projected 20,000 additional residents within a 15 mile radius through developments)

9. Pagham is a village. If you add another 1200+ homes it will become a small town. One of our largest employers, Church Farm Caravan Park, generates over £2million a year for tourism in the area, local shops and businesses benefit from it. Why would you risk losing some of that local income when tourists cannot get to the Park, cannot get to the beach, cannot park locally and cannot travel along the Pagham Road without sitting in a traffic jam.

10 We choose to live here because it is a village. We want to enjoy the countryside and fresh air. The countryside will be lost under concrete, the air quality will suffer due to excessive traffic and our way of life will be changed forever! Save our Village from overdevelopment!

With the local council elections imminent, I can only hope that the result of these elections will cause a re-think on this, and other future applications.

Yours faithfully



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