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Planning Officer,
Arun District Council,
Civic Centre,
Maltravers Road,
Littlehampton BN17 5LF

Attention : David Easton

Re : P/30/9/OUT – Hook Lane development application

Dear Mr Easton,

Further to the above referenced planning application for the erection of up to 300 dwellings. I wish to register my objection to this application which should be considered in conjunction with the other three planning applications currently under review. P/140/16/OUT, P/134/16/OUT, P/25/17/OUT.

My reasons for objecting are follows: -

- This proposal forms part of a combined plan for hundreds more new properties in the immediate area. Pagham is a relatively under resourced part of the Arun District, the scale of the combined proposed development is completely disproportionate. I believe that the Arun District Council should consider a more equitable spread of new properties over the entire district. There are alternative areas that might be considered, for example Ford, which is served by a better road network and a mainline station.

Yours faithfully,

David Easton

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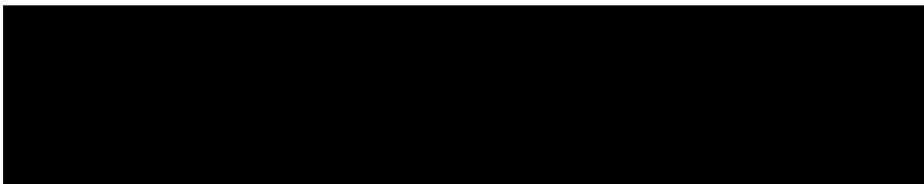
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- The existing sewage facilities serving Pagham are barely adequate to cope with peak demand. adding 1,200+ properties to the system will completely overwhelm them, leading to increased risk of flooding at times of high rainfall.
- We understand that during the summer months the water pressure to Pagham consumers drops, suggesting that there is little margin for new consumers, adding additional properties or more will create greater demand on an already inadequate system.
- There are a limited number of GP surgeries and current over subscription will be exacerbated by influx of thousands more residents.
- With the current uncertainty over future food supply caused by Brexit I believe it would be wildly irresponsible to commit prime agricultural land to housing developments.
- Like all NHS hospitals St Richard's performs a magnificent job, however significantly increasing the number of residents that will be dependent upon this hospital for A&E will result in more protracted delays in treatment.
- Lack of employment opportunities in the locale will inevitably result in any new residents commuting on the Pagham Road, and the B2166 which are already busy and dangerous, particularly during rush hour. These roads feed into the Chichester Southern Bypass which is always congested at any time of the day.

To quote the reason for the earlier planning application being rejected

"The increased vehicle movements generated by the application will exacerbate capacity issues on the Local Highways Network and the mitigation measures proposed are insufficient to overcome the safety concerns resulting from the increased vehicle movements" ...

I would be grateful if you could reply in writing, advising me of the measures planned to address each of these concerns, and the progress of this application at key stages.



Richard Thomas