



36 Hook Lane
Rose Green
Bognor Regis
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Planning Department
Arun Civic Centre
Maltravers Road
Littlehampton
BN17 5LF

Planning Application P/30/19/OUT

Dear Sirs

I am writing this letter hoping that the outline planning application above by the developers to build numerous houses on the Hook Lane site will be refused. **The previous application was refused by Arun District Council, with good reason!**

This development will be unsustainable because of the following:

Emergency services are fully stretched at present & would find it increasing difficult to cope with the extra demands forced upon them by these new properties. Because of the location of this area it takes longer to attend an emergency. Let's hope the delay would not cost lives!

This development would substantially increase the population of Pagham which is at capacity level at the moment. The facilities of this village could not bear any further burden of this size ie: Gp's, Dentists, Schools & facilities for the elderly population. Can we believe that if this development is allowed, that the developers will assist with the overburdened infrastructure??

They are supposedly providing the land (I believe) for a primary school, care home etc. but are they building & staffing it? Of course not!

The drainage & sewerage is at capacity level within the Pagham area & will not be able to handle the extra waste. If sewerage flooded, then this would devastate Pagham Harbour Nature Reserve along with other areas & do irreplaceable damage to wildlife which will never recover due to more & more countryside being swallowed up by developers.

It would have a detrimental impact on tourism, as who would want to spend time swimming in a sea that is being used as an overflow for sewerage & unable to travel to local areas due to the excessive traffic.

This land, which the local council defines as "**STRATEGIC GAP**" is grade one agricultural land & one of the best in the country to grow crops.

I have lived here for over 23 years & this field is constantly under water in winter & if this development is allowed, the water tables would be raised & neighbouring homes would flood.

As there are very limited job opportunities locally, most of these new householders (probably at least two per property) would have to travel to Chichester or Bognor (or even further) to work. This would put unimaginable strain to the current routes, which at present, at peak times is very, very slow.

We already have too many new homes now being allowed to be built in this area, enough is enough!

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE refuse this application & prove that quality of village life can remain & that the money & power that these developers have behind them, does not enable them to do whatever they like, wherever they like, without regard for people, countryside or wildlife!!

Yours Sincerely


Mr Melvyn Young