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ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL TECHNICAL SUPPORT
- 7 FEB 2017
ACTION:

Assoc. director Planning and Economic Regeneration
Arun Civic Centre
Maltravers Road
Littlehampton
BN17 5LF

6th February 2017

Planning Application Ref(s): P134/16/OUT (Sefter Road), P140/16/OUT (Pagham Road)& P/6/17/OUT (Hook Lane) and any further property development in the Pagham area.

Dear Sir,

Re: Objections for 3 Planning Applications at Sefter Road, Pagham Road and Hook Lane

I have lived in the village of Nyetimber for over 30 years and was born in Rose Green. I wish to formally object to any further property developments in or around the Nyetimber area for the following obvious reasons:

Village life has become almost impossible to enjoy over the last 10 years or so. I have watched the ever increasing traffic/people problem in and around Nyetimber village grow to completely unacceptable levels. The village infrastructure in itself was never designed to cope with such increases and what was a wonderful and neighbourly village atmosphere, no longer exists as was intended. Unacceptable amounts of traffic block our one and only road through the village where there is nowhere to park and the double yellow line system has been continually abused for over 5 years or so because even now, there is absolutely nowhere to park.

Since Planning Permission was granted some years ago to upgrade what was our village Supermarket to a Tesco's Express, the road is continually gets blocked from end to end because people much further afield drive to it to do their shopping. The summer season now becomes a nightmare and we are in danger now of having hundreds more properties built in an area, which cannot accommodate any more traffic congestion. Where do you really think all these people are going to park when they come into the village to shop at Tesco's or use village amenities?

I have attached photographs evidencing the traffic problem, which we are having to cope with now. Furthermore, we have already been badly affected with flooding, due to property developments in and around the village over the last 15 years or so. (See attached photos). The village was designed to accommodate surface water courses and almost every year, the fire Brigade is called in the pump away large flood areas. Only 2 years ago, 2 cars were written off in Barton Close due to water damage and the 20 odd houses at the bottom end of Barton Close were cut off from the village for over 3 days and the only way from their houses was by wading in boots.

I am my wife for many years, have travelled to Chichester on the Pagham Road from Monday to Friday. Ten years ago, we used to do so in approximately 10 minutes and usually left home around 8 o'clock. Due to large amounts of traffic coming from the East, this has been absolutely impossible and the journey can take anything up to 45 minutes now to drive the 8 miles. This is already completely unacceptable. This B-road, which has over the years, become a rat run due to the dire traffic problems, which exist all along the North Bersted A259 to Chichester. The 2 junctions, which join the Pagham road from Bognor/Areas, do so at the top end of Seftor Road and at Lagness on the B2166. As early as 07:15 from Monday to Friday, they tail back from these junctions waiting to get on to the Pagham Road. This can involve a queue of between 20-30 cars at a time all wishing to join the already over-used Pagham Road towards Chichester. We have people walking and cycling to the various nurseries and farms along this road. We have farm tractors and buses constantly in amongst this traffic. Just one cyclist reduces the speed on this road to no more than about 10 miles an hour. Tractors, lorries and buses, none of which have sufficient room legally to overtake cyclists or pedestrian workers going to work in the early hours. (See attached photos).

Most of this traffic, comes to a complete stop at the mini roundabout at North Mundham by The Walnut Tree pub, due to the traffic in front going towards the Hunston and Selsey Roundabout, B2145, which is blocked all the way past the Covent up to the main roundabout on the A27. The only other way to get on to the A27 is to turn right at the mini roundabout by The Walnut Tree pub, down Vinnetrow Lane, which also then blocks up half way along by the Lakeside Caravan site all the way to the Portfield Roundabout. Traffic comes to a standstill and the length of time taken to do any journey towards Chichester at this time is completely unacceptable. Bad weather regularly causes car accidents on the Pagham Road and on occasions, the road gets closed completely.

Any further property developments which further congests this massive problem is utter madness and will bring about the final end to what was left of a village life at Pagham. The infrastructure is clearly inadequate to accommodate any further property development, not just due to substandard road ways but also due to a complete lack of Doctors, Dentists and School facilities let alone adequate car-parking with the increase into our village with what could easily be more than 2000 vehicles. People already have to leave for work either by walking, cycling or driving along the Pagham Road at least an hour earlier. There are no pavements either side to this road and it is only a matter of time before a pedestrian gets killed.

Please note, whilst the some of the congestion photos look similar, you can see they are taken on different days at different times.

Yours sincerely



Nigel Rawlins



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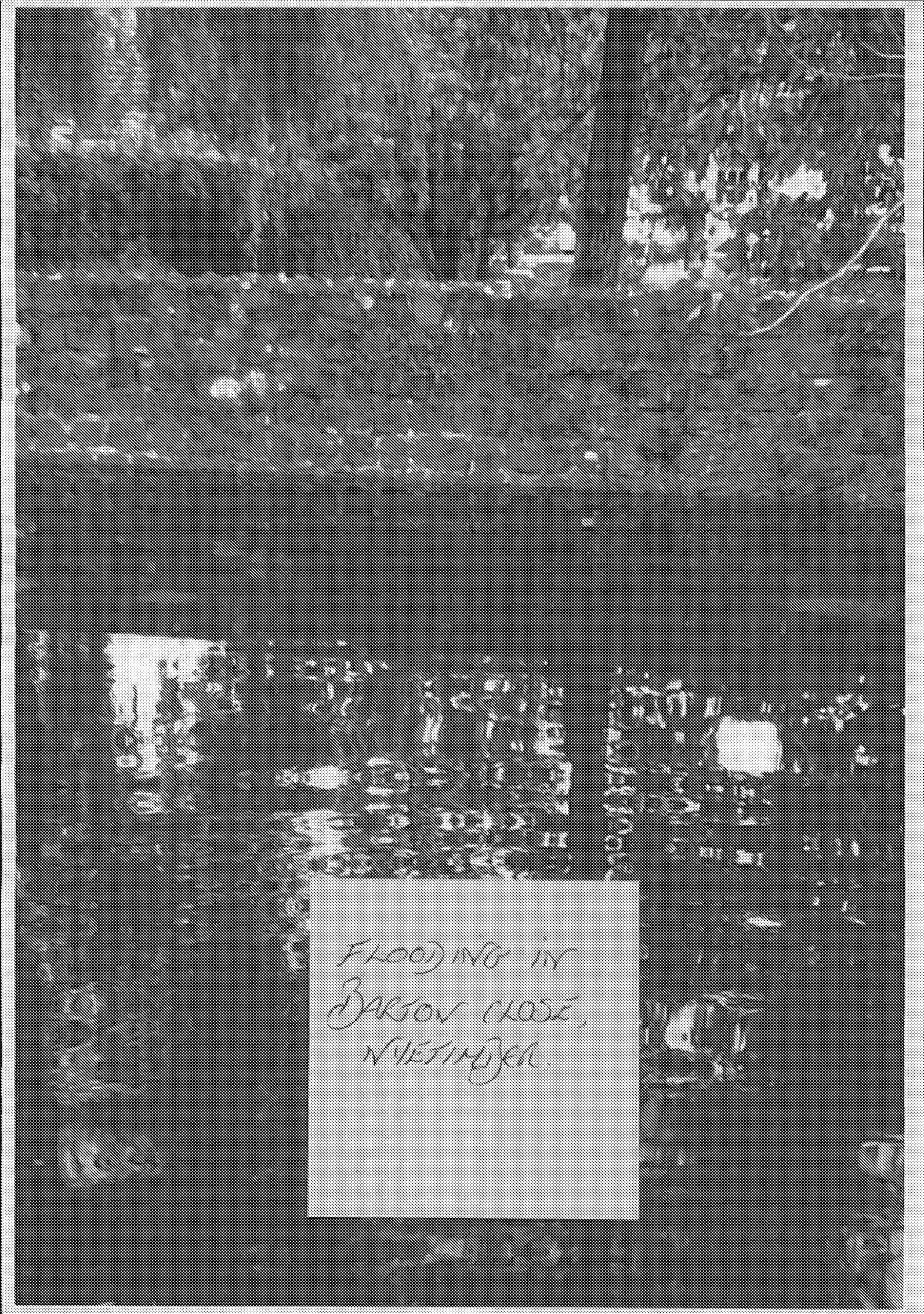
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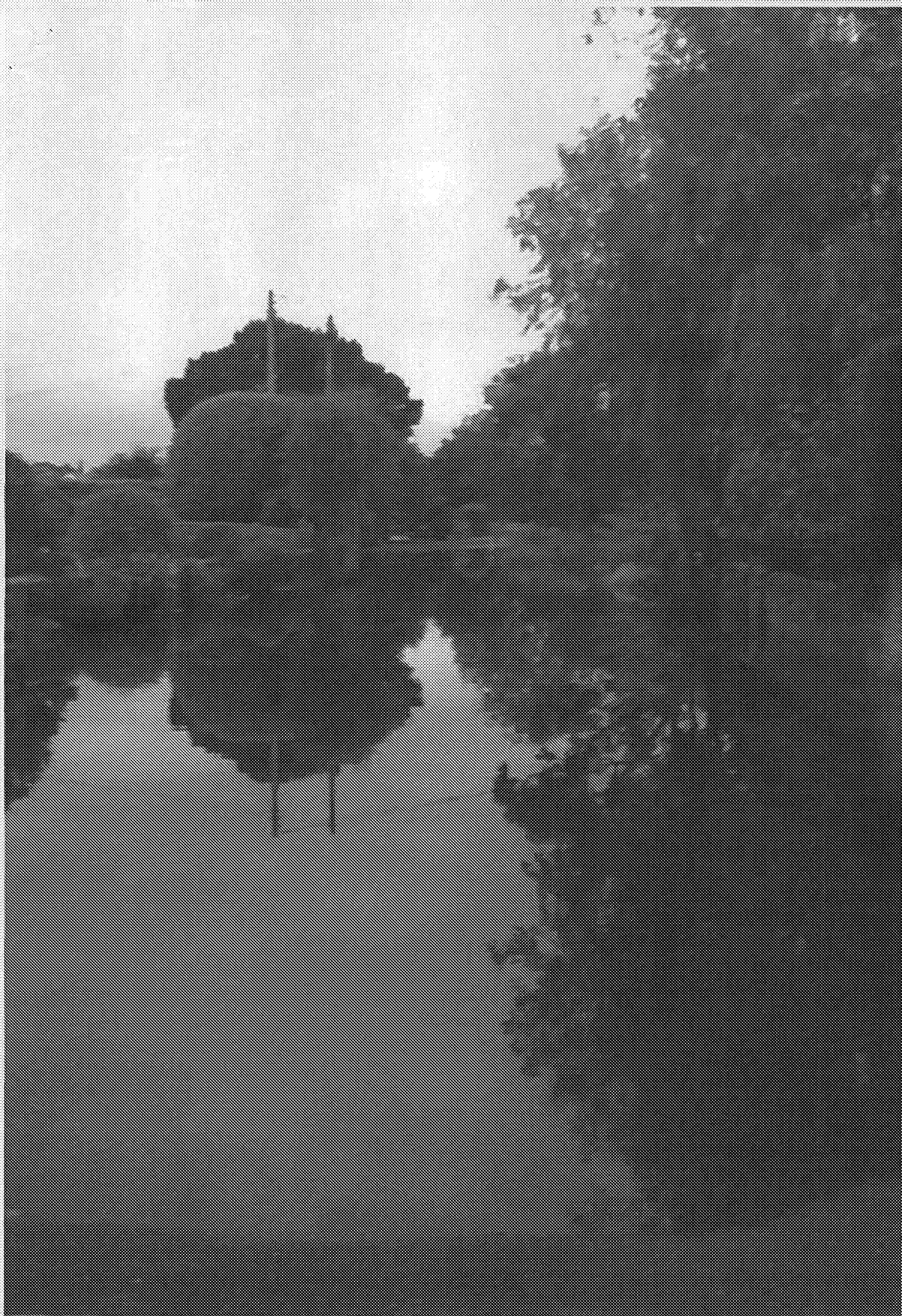


A black and white photograph showing a flooded area. In the background, there are several trees and a building partially obscured by the water. The foreground is a dark, reflective surface of water. A white rectangular box with handwritten text is overlaid on the bottom right of the image.

FLOODING IN
BARTON CLOSE,
NYETIMBER.















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CONGESTION ON
THE ROAD
AROUND PAGHAM
& NYETIMBER
VILLAGE



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Today
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