



9 Coventry Close
Bognor Regis
West Sussex
PO21 3RT
25th February 2017

Planning Application P/6/17/OUT

Dear Sirs

I am writing this letter as a **strong protest** against the above application to build numerous houses & other building on the **Hook Lane** site.

This development will be **unsustainable** because of the following:

This land is grade two agricultural land which the local council defines as "**STRATEGIC GAP**". What about all the "Brown Belt" sites around West Sussex? What about derelict sites, such as Ford Airfield, surely these would be more suitable for development rather than prime agricultural land! If developers are allowed to build on "Green sites", the flood gates would open & they will build anywhere they wish!

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.

I have lived in this area for over 20 years & this site has & always will be prone to flooding.

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 providing the land (I believe) for a school, but are they building & staffing it?

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!

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.

The pollution levels would increase dramatically, especially (but not only) noise & air born pollutants.

I am asking that you refuse this application on grounds of conservation & humanity & to save this area from the destruction it will cause.

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

MISS C YOUNG