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**RE: Planning Application P/6/17/OUT**

Dear Sir

As residents of Pagham we would like to express our objections to the above planning application.

The whole essence of the area is that of a rural community and that indeed is the reason that we moved here in the first place and why many visitors come as holiday makers. Extending the parish almost to merge with other areas would destroy its current ambience. Surely West Sussex is known for its beauty and valuable wildlife habitat, not for its urban sprawl.

The farmland which would be affected by this development would be a considerable loss of valuable farmland. Furthermore many of the fields surrounding Pagham, including that on Hook Lane, are liable to flooding and building on these would only move the danger to already developed areas or be a problem for any new development.

The infrastructure of the area would be severely compromised. The local doctor's surgery is already struggling to cope with demand, the influx of many more patients could be disastrous. Similarly local schools would be very quickly overcrowded and children's education affected. A large influx of people into the area is unsustainable.

Access to Pagham is dependent on narrow winding country lanes, often with deep side ditches because of the danger of flooding. This is already a problem because of heavy HGV traffic serving Barfoots of Botley and other local growers. Planning consent has already been granted to extend Barfoots which will result in more lorries on already busy and completely unsuitable roads. From March to November there is an increase in passenger traffic to serve Church Farm Holiday village. This can result in anything up to 1000 extra vehicles using the Pagham Road. Traffic is already a problem, it could become very dangerous. Recent closure of the Pagham road for gas works only served to illustrate how difficult it is to enter Pagham if there is a problem on the Pagham road.

We feel quite strongly that any development to extend Pagham is completely unsustainable and out of keeping with the village. We would therefore like to lodge our objections to the planning application.

Yours faithfully



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