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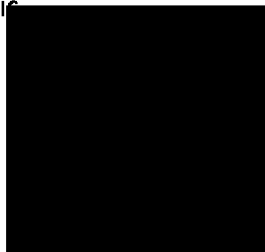
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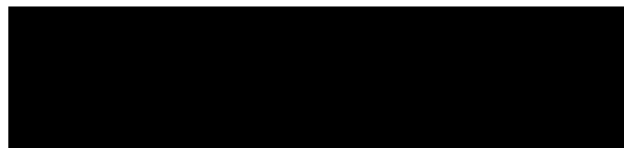
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Wednesday 5 April 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

This letter is sent in objection to the current unsustainable planning schemes surrounding the building of large numbers of dwellings on agricultural and greenfield land in the parishes of Pagham and Aldwick in the District of Arun, West Sussex: their numbers are as stated below:

P/134/16/OUT SEFTER ROAD
P/140/16/OUT PAGHAM ROAD
P/6/17/OUT HOOK LANE
P/25/17/OUT CHURCH BARTON HOUSE HORNS LANE

The following objections apply to all the sites above, as the criteria is the same for all.

I suggest that this blatant money-making scheme for companies and investors, using the governments short-sighted and miscalculated decree for the numbers of new homes needed as an excuse to propose en-mass unsustainable building, should not be approved for the following reasons.

These plans are not in the interests of the local community in its varying components: all of which will be destroyed beyond any manageable or retrievable state. It would add increased pressure on the existing facilities: doctors, dentists, schools & hospitals and also the even more essential services such as sewage disposal, which would not be able to cope: causing more flood risk and clean up costs. As has been proved many times, the benefits of careful flood prevention far outweigh the colossal costs of cleaning up such a disastrous event, principally when dealing with the associated health risks and property and environmental damage caused by flooding, especially when containing sewage. Nor are these plans in the interests of the wider sphere of which Pagham is a unique part. Any building here would be detrimental to the area at the foot of the South Downs National Park, for which the ability to attract tourists is key, due to tourism being one of the main industries in the area. The proposed levels of extra housing with the extra traffic created and the natural landscape lost would make it counterproductive and an unappealing and unattractive place to be.

The loss of this grade 2 farmland, a large part of the UK's agricultural land for growing vegetables, would be a devastating forfeit for the sake of houses which don't need to be built in this area. Due to the UK leaving the EU, large new markets may be open up for food products grown on our farms. To lose this unique and irreplaceable resource would be an entirely shortsighted and ill-advised disaster. This type of farmland is for agricultural purposes only and should not be built on under any circumstances.

There is also a World War 2 pillbox on the Sefter Lane site, which should stand as a local memorial and reminder of the events of 1939 to 1945: events that if repeated, crucial growing space for essential food supplies would be provided for by this land.

Irreparable damage to the natural environment would be caused, by the building of so many houses in this environment. The close proximity of a nationally renowned and important nature reserve, would mean the loss of surrounding agricultural land would also mean the loss of land and hedgerows vital to support the massive population of resident and migrating species of birds and other animals for feeding, resting and groundcover, on a day-to-day basis and especially when the weather conditions at the harbour itself are too severe. Species observed on a frequent basis in these fields include: brent geese, shelduck, widgeon, bar-tailed and black-tailed godwit, fieldfare, redwing and also curlew and kestrel (both now declining in number in the UK) The Hook Lane site is also a habitat for the common lizard, to which illegal harm can be caused if their habitat is destroyed and is also home to hedgehogs which are also now in national decline and are consequently listed as endangered in the UK.

If homes are built out of town, not only would this be an unjustifiable mass of unnecessary and unaffordable unsustainable houses, the traffic generated by the extra population would create unnecessary strain on the current road network and facilities. Use of brown-field sites should be encouraged instead, for example the centre of Bognor, would provide proximity to transport links, to make use of the newly updated railway station, cycle paths, buses and other facilities proposed there.

Please take all these aspects into consideration when making a decision on these applications.

Yours faithfully

Gillian Tebbs