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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 December 2015 12:43
To: Planning
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Dear Simon Davis

I write to beg the council to pass planning permission for a managed breach of the spit in Pagham. If you do not people will lose their homes and lively hoods which would be undeserved.

The wildlife in the area had a good deal to do with our reasons for moving to the area as well as the beautiful vistas. Long term the managed breach of the spit will benefit the local wildlife.

Vast amounts of funds have been spent on remedial work on the beach, the cost of the managed breach would be a fraction of the costs incurred due to the immanent breach by the sea. If I can bring your attention to the recent flooding in Cumbria where PWC have estimated costs of GBP 500m and remember the sea is a much stronger and more devastating force. For less than GBP 1m we can prevent further extreme costs of which so far Pagham residents themselves have pledged a good proportion of this and we ask and beg for your assistance providing funds and required planning permission for the necessary works to be carried out.

On a personal level, my wife and I moved here six years ago, our family are since facing a serious problem where we are needed back in Surrey due to my daughter in laws continued fight with terminal cancer. There is now no possibility of selling our home, the home we have both worked all our lives for.

As we both know all above issues with regard to the spit can and should be resolved by a decision by you to approve the plans for the managed breach of the spit. I urge you personally Simon and to Arun council to do this with immediate effect not just for me and my home but for all Pagham residents

Yours faithfully

Jim Downie