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West Walberton Lane

Walberton near Arundel

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TO ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL

I wish to convey a very strong objection to the application by WELBECK to build 157 houses beside Wandley's Lane, Fontwell.

This is a very rural area with small lanes, no pavements or street lights, tree lined and a haven from the busy main roads. The houses and gardens are of a rural character, and an estate consisting of five times the number of existing local dwellings would be totally unsuitable.

Many years ago we were told that the fragile sewerage system meant that there should be no further building in the area.

The local schools are full and the local surgeries are over subscribed.

The information put out by the developer tries to suggest that there would be very little impact on traffic on nearby roads, which gives an entirely wrong impression.

As one who has lived here for 40 years I can assure them that there is a 'log jam' every day between 4 pm. and 5.30pm. in Fontwell Avenue which backs up all the way to the A27 roundabout and in the other direction towards Bognor, beyond Lidsey.

The proposed widening and lighting of Wandley's Lane would be totally alien and would encourage faster traffic speeds. Wandley's Lane connects with West Walberton Lane, which is a designated cycle lane, narrow and used by an increased number of cyclists and horse riders, and by a large number of motorists exceeding the speed limit. Anyone travelling eastwards to Walberton, Ford and Littlehampton is likely to use West Walberton Lane as a short cut, adding to the dangerous situation that we already have.

Local residents have chosen the situation of narrow unlit lanes and are fortunate enough to have a wide diversity of wildlife of deer foxes, bats, Owls to name but a few. A wide, lit road and a huge clump of houses would produce light pollution and environmental damage, especially as we have to remember the Barnfield site and a huge estate at Fontwell just close by.

Much mention is made in the leaflet about the need for 'green space', we have a green space at the moment and should remain unsullied.

One wonders if St. Richards Hospital and the emergency services have been consulted about coping with the potential influx of several thousand patients from all the development around.

An estate of this type will do nothing to help local people but conversely will bring in newcomers to an area suffering so much development that our precious countryside is disappearing for ever

Sincerely

MRS

J. Barratt.

