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From: Amanda Scholes on behalf of Planning.Responses
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Subject: FW: Y/91/17/OUT Bilsham Road 250 homes

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Sent: 28 January 2018 16:46
To: David Easton
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Dear Sir

Planning application reference: Y/91/17/OUT Land at Bilsham Road

I am writing to object strongly to the above proposed development because of the negative impact it will have on our local services and our village as a whole.

- The local primary school is already under pressure for space. It has no room to accommodate the extra classrooms that would be needed. North End Road is already impossible and hazardous to drive down at the start and end of the school day.
- Both of the Medical Practices in the village are already unable to cope with the number of patients on their books.
- The sewage station at Ford is barely able to cope with the current demands placed upon it let alone the demands that will be placed on it by all the current proposals for building that are besieging our village. Southern Water has recently objected to a plan for 70 homes in the village because the current system is inadequate to treat the resulting amount of waste. How is this going to change if 250/300 homes are built?
- Yapton is surrounded by a network of narrow country lanes with the exception of the A259 to the south. If this development goes ahead the increased traffic will be detrimental to the fabric of the roads and the quality of air. Traffic queues are already building at every junction with the A259, again contributing to the air pollution.
- The area has problems with surface water during the winter months. Any solutions must ensure that the water is not just 'shifted' to another area.
- The land has been used for agriculture and its change of use makes a mockery of Agricultural land being protected.
- Wildlife will also feel an impact with loss of habitats, both permanent and temporary.

The developers say they will “contribute” to the cost of improving areas of concern. I fear that a “contribution” will not be adequate funding and any monies forthcoming will not necessarily be spent where *Yapton* needs it.

Yapton was one of the first villages in this area to draw up a Neighbourhood Plan. The areas that were earmarked for development are currently in the consultation process. Our Neighbourhood Plan has been overruled and other proposals have been allowed that were not within the plan.

When does a village stop being a village and become a town(even if the villagers don’t want it)? The Six Villages, if all the current proposals for developing the area happen, are destined to become an anonymous concrete suburb with no individuality. Once this land is developed, there will be no retrieving it.

Yours sincerely

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