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To: Planning

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Planning application Y/91/17/OUT

My objections to the 250 houses that are proposing to be built in the land west of the Bilsham road as it leaves Yapton are;

The proposed build is not in concordance with the agreed local plan.

At the present there is not enough services in the village such as schools, doctors and dentists to cope with the influx of yet another large development of at least 250 family's. The developments already being built in the village and about to be built in Yapton are overstretching the services we have as it is, do we need to add more houses and more people.

The Six Villages are getting closer and closer and we do not want to end up merging with Middleton and Felpham as well turning the whole of the south coast into one massive sprawl from Brighton to Pagham bordering onto the South Downs National Park.

There will be increased surface water run off due to the paving and hard surfaces caused by the proposed houses and road system, this will exacerbate the flooding in the front of Mill View Road/West View Drive and Graham Road increasing flash water levels in extreme weather events, potentially causing damage to properties in these areas for the first time. The water the last time we had a severe deluge was only 150mm below my threshold.

The proposed road exit is on the apex of a slight corner and dip and it is hard to see northbound vehicles approaching from Comet Corner which they often do at over 30 MPH, I believe it will be a dangerous junction. It is hard to cross the road here as a pedestrian.

The possibility of an extra 250 to 500 vehicles entering into the Bilsham road in the busy morning and evening period from the proposed development into a cut through from the A259 to Chichester and Arundel could possibly overload both Comet Corner and the congestion around the shops in Bilsham Road which is also route 2 on the South Coast cycle route. Cycling on the Bilsham Road is not pleasant now and it is used by a lot of cyclists.

There has been a large investment in the reservoir at the end of Drove lane and the water from this has been used to irrigate the fields in the area and adjacent to the proposed plot to grow quick growing important low carbon footprint crops such as lettuce, spinach, radicchio and other salads supplied to the south of England. It would be a shame to lose this local resource as this field is prime arable land suitable for this type of cultivation.

All of the proposed properties are further than 1.5 miles from the nearest station at Barnham making the walk quite long (about 30 minutes). The nearby 700 bus takes an hour to get to Chichester only 10 miles away so public transport is not very good from this end of the village.

For all the above reasons I object to planning number Y/91/17/OUT

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