

Hi Rosy

[Redacted text] I need to speak to you though with your Mayors hat on or councillors hat on.....whichever is best.

A couple of days ago I took the dogs for a walkies down the Billy Trail from the theatre end - just for a change and to get away from the noise on the seafront. The walk started off lovely. Nobody about. And then when I got to the building works and diggers on the land north of Sinah Lane the peace, quiet and tranquillity was busted. And there was me thinking this development was on hold.....

But then, further along the Billy in the field behind Saltmarsh Lane there was a planning proposal notice pinned to a post which I only noticed [redacted text]). It was not very prominent, but I took a butchers at it and made a mental note. On searching the Havant Planning webpages I can't find any mention of this little project for 60 more dwellings. I will need to walk down there tomorrow with pen and paper to write down the Application Number etc, but in the meantime do you know anything about this?

I want to complain about it. Nobody listens any more to objections about infrastructure, the bridge, island roads, water and sewerage, doctor, schools being over whelmed, so it is pointless mentioning. I want to complain on the grounds of mental health - the go-to buzz word of the year. We are advised to walk in the countryside, listen to the birds and experience nature for our wellbeing. Exactly as I was trying to do the other day with the dogs.

If all these hundreds of houses are permitted which means thousands of people if you average 4 persons per home, there will be no country lane, no fields, no tweeting birds (by the way the Blackbirds are nesting and the birdsong is delightful), no waterside views across the harbour. All that will go in favour of suburban sprawl. When the beach front is packed out with campers where are we to go to de-stress?

Driving off the one choc-a-block island exit is polluting for the environment, uneconomic and very bad for calming the shredded mental health...