

Dear Mr. Ellis,

I'm writing to object to the development in Long Copse Lane.

Traffic is already an issue in this area: where we live in Southleigh Road we can feel the house shake a big lorries go past, and queues are commonplace; Long Copse Lane itself is just not fit for larger volumes of traffic. Westbourne, which although in West Sussex is an important part of our life, is already problematic with traffic flow and particularly parking. North Street Westbourne, through which traffic from the development would pass to get to Westbourne, is already a nightmare, you rarely drive through without having to manoeuvre into tight gaps to let oncoming traffic pass.

Facilities to support the extra population are also an issue: for example, the Dry Cleaners in Emsworth often has piles of quilts stacked in the reception area because the added volume from other developments in the area is too great for the premises to cope with. The doctors, in spite of their new location, seems pretty much overwhelmed already and with difficulties recruiting doctors we don't see this improving soon. Similarly the local chemist seems out of it's depth and it is not uncommon to find yourself in a queue with others like yourself, who are queuing for the fifth or sixth time to get a single prescription; the chemist also seems to have space problems. This development will only exacerbate the situation.

Just as important, waste water from this development does not seem to have been properly catered for; and the lane itself is a delightful stretch of open countryside within easy walking distance which will be lost; as someone with breathing difficulties this is very important to me.

Please do not proceed with this development.

Regards,