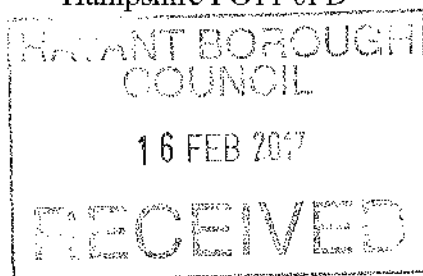


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Dear Sir/Madam,

17/00007 Rook Farm, Hayling Island

We are surprised that there is a further Planning Application to build houses at Rook Farm.

In an earlier letter (7th September 2016) we strongly objected to the proposal to build an additional 550 houses (including Rook Farm) over the 250 houses which are currently being built.

Hayling has many unique features which include a semi-rural setting, an attractive seafront, local amenities and two shopping centres catering for our daily needs. Tourism is an important feature whether it is for sailing, wind surfing, kite surfing, golfing etc. We are already dismayed about the current development taking place off Station Road and in other areas of the Island. The increase in traffic is already significant and we have to encounter daily queues of traffic whenever we leave or return home.

The A3023 over the only bridge to the Island was already carrying 2½ times the recommended volume as reported in your 1985 study and I understand that it has increased by 50% in the last 10 years and is forecast to increase by 78% by 2020. The traffic problems are significant and are of great concern to residents, businesses, public transport, tourism and emergency services including the police, emergency ambulance services and fire engines. Council Refuse collection also leads to lengthy queues on the mornings that they are scheduled to service the houses along the main A3023.

There was a severe hold up in recent weeks due to some road works on the approach road to the bridge. The traffic backed down on Hayling and also to Langstone and Havant Town Centre.

My son and his family have already given up on the daily traffic problems and moved off the Island to a village south of Newbury. He could not guarantee getting to his business meetings on time due to the regular traffic hold ups.

The Medical Services on the Island are already working to capacity and the schooling for the proposed increase in the population will also be a concern. Has there been a study to determine whether the Medical Services and the schools can cope with the significant increase in the population with the proposed development?

Has the Island infrastructure been taking into account such as water supply, electricity and gas supplies and sewage disposal?

We strongly urge the Planning Policy Team to reconsider the proposed developments of the excessive number of houses and retirement homes so as to protect the environment and facilities in which we and 17,000 others love and enjoy.

Yours faithfully,

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