



21st February 2022

Planning Service
Havant Borough Council
Public Service Plaza
Civic Centre Road
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Hants
PO9 2AX

Dear Mr Eaves

Re: Rook Farm proposal to build 300 homes APP/21/01434

I wish to register my objection to the above proposal for the following reasons

1) Loss of open spaces, countryside and natural habitats.

The farmland is a roosting site for Brent Geese. One of the environmental statements says that no Brent Geese were noted. Please see attached series of photos taken on my walk past the site on 21st Dec 2021, as you can see there are plenty there.

2) Conservation of hedgerows

The hedgerows around the site are teaming with native bird life, under the current proposal these will be removed and replaced with 'landscaping'. This will take years and years (if ever) to support the level of biodiversity there is now.

3) Loss of open space for people. Loss of Amenity

When you walk along the public footpaths that adjoin the site you get a real sense of openness and can enjoy nature - flora and fauna - 300 new houses will, without doubt, totally destroy this. People need to breathe

4) Highway Safety & Traffic

The proposed access to the site is via St Mary's road. I did note a traffic counter there a few months ago but a) it was not in situ very long at all (possibly 48 hours) and b) because of where it was sited it would have had no value in gauging the impact on the staggered junction of St Mary's Road, Elm Grove & Tournurbury Lane which is quite perilous now especially at school times.

300 Houses = at a conservative estimate 500 more cars. No jobs on the island so more commuter traffic on and off leading to more congestion on the main road & bridge.

Yours Sincerely





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