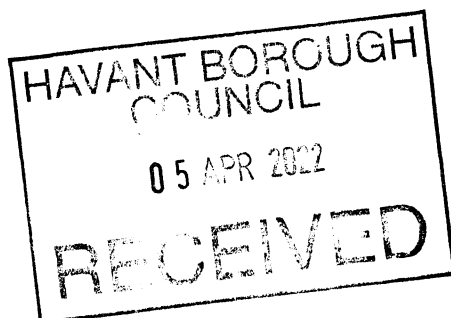


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Mr L Oliver
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Dear Mr Oliver,

Your Ref: APP/21/01351

Proposed erection of up to 60 dwellings on land south of Saltmarsh Lane

I most strongly oppose this application for several reasons.

1. The obvious effects on the already overloaded use of the one and only road on and off Hayling and the extra strain on the bridge. There has also been an increase in cyclists which can now ride 2 abreast and I have already witnessed long queues of cars trying to overtake. Some motorists will lose their patience soon, try to overtake and cause a nasty accident especially on the bridge where Lycra-clad cyclists refuse to use the permitted pavement across. Warm sunny days during weekends, bank holidays and school holidays often cause gridlock at the Langstone roundabout causing chaos for the emergency services as well as residents trying to get on and off the Island. This must cause an enormous amount of carbon emissions which the whole planet is trying to reduce.
2. The extra demand on the already overstretched Health Centre.
3. Saltmarsh Lane is a cul-de-sac with parking either side of the road. The average household has at least two cars which would mean some 100 cars entering Saltmarsh Lane and then joining West Lane which has become a race track for some irresponsible drivers. The other possibility is Brights Lane which is also congested with parking either side. I understand traffic and noise assessments were determined during Covid lockdown when we were all staying at home!
4. These proposed houses will back onto mainly retirement bungalows occupied by elderly people. This proposal has already caused a great deal of anxiety and stress. It will most definitely severely affect our privacy, outlook and light. This field has been planted with wheat and rapeseed over the past few years. I would have thought we need as much agricultural land as possible in order to become more self sufficient. Ukraine for instance was one of our largest suppliers of wheat and rapeseed oil.
5. At present we live in a very quiet and peaceful area with hardly any pollution, noise or fumes. Another 60 houses, all family homes right by our small back gardens will certainly have a very severe effect on all of us.
6. We are also home to deer, foxes, hedgehogs, buzzards, bats, a variety of birds and insects and I understand slow worms.
7. Some years ago I replaced the lawn with pebbles and have noticed during the past few winters, these become flooded near the back fence after heavy and prolonged rain, no doubt due to climate change. This will no doubt increase in the future.
8. I appreciate more housing is required but Hayling Is already overloaded and in a letter written by the leader of the Council to the Government which stresses they must recognise local

development restraints as set out by Natural England highlighting the unexpected impact of this latest guidance regarding nutrient neutrality.

I sincerely hope this planning application is rejected and implore someone from the planning department to visit this site to realise the devastating effect this build would cause as I cannot believe you could allow this to happen.

Yours sincerely,

