



Havant Borough Council

Planning Application - **App/18/00724**

Erection of 195No. dwellings, associated open space, pumping station, sub-station and formation of new vehicular access off Sinah Lane.

Objection

Date 30th July 2019

Dear Sir,

I would like to object to the proposed development above on the following grounds:

1) Traffic & Transport

Although the applicants have resubmitted their application, it is still for the same number of dwellings as the original, 195No.

Most of the dwellings will have one and many will have two vehicles, and many of the vehicles will be used most days to depart from and return to the Island. That means somewhere in the region of an additional 390-780 journeys off and on the Island. There will also be an increase in the number of vehicles (eg courier delivery vans, builders' trucks, etc) coming on to and returning from the Island that support/service each dwelling.

There is one road on and off the Island (A3023) and there are no plans for any additional roads or to improve the road. Critically, the bridge that links the Island to the mainland would suffer additional wear and tear which could result in significant structural damage and there is no alternative crossing available. The only alternative transport off and onto the Island is the Hayling Ferry. That is only of use to pedestrians/cyclists going over to Portsmouth and its long-term viability is uncertain. Cyclists have the option of using the Billy trail for short journeys, but the surface is unmetalled (essentially a mud track at the southern end) and unlit, which makes it virtually unusable for many months of the year.

The increased traffic resulting from the new development, will affect not just the people in the immediate vicinity on the west side of the Island, but everyone on the Island including those on the east side of the Island who all must use the A3023, as well as those in Langstone. Importantly, access to the Island by emergency services will be severely affected that could result in life endangering consequences.

2) Education and Health facilities

The existing facilities on the Island are limited and cannot support further demand being placed upon them.

3) Environment and Agriculture

The development will eliminate land that is used by a variety of wildlife for their habitat and migration. It will also remove valuable agricultural land used for the growing of a variety of crops.

In conclusion it is unreasonable for HBC to allow the proposed development to go ahead.