



White Lodge
Long Copse Lane
Emsworth PO10 7UL

10 April 2016

Chief Planning Officer
Havant Borough Council
Civic Offices
Havant PO9 2AX

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Application APP/16/00021

I would like to object to the above application for the following reasons:

There does not appear to be an identified need for any further Gypsy and Traveller sites in Havant at present. This is stated in the currently adopted local plan.

Policy CS10, which might apply if there were a need for further sites, lists 5 areas for consideration.

- In relation to criteria number 1, having 2 static and 2 touring pitches on this site would have a huge impact on the Lane, and in particular the nearby residents, in terms of noise, light, traffic movements and enjoyment of the rural views.
- Criteria 2. With the proposed number of dwellings and parking spaces, there would be insufficient space for turning and general manoeuvring of large touring caravans. Neither the Lane nor the access to the site is suitable for large vehicles.
- Criteria 3. The Lane is single-lane in places with blind bends and is very well used, especially at weekends, by walkers, horse-riders, cyclists and runners. Clearly any increase in traffic and in particular the movement of large touring caravans would increase the potential for incidents involving both vehicles and people.
- Criteria 4 relates to utilities and the information provided by the applicant appears unclear as to how suitable drainage would be provided given that the land could not accommodate soakaways and foul water cannot be connected to the existing water sewer on the Land (as seems to be proposed).
- Criteria 5. There would be considerable impact on the local environment both in the immediate vicinity and from further away as, being on raised land, the site can be seen from quite a distance. In addition, the Development Plan and Havant BC Core Strategy identified a strategic gap between Emsworth and Westbourne and any development on this site would appear to contradict this.

Mr Madgwick has not complied with past and existing conditions regarding this site as there is currently an unauthorised mobile home and a touring van there. Also, there was very upsetting

and unnecessary destruction of much lovely ancient hedge along the road boundary when the stabling was constructed and which has not been replanted (contrary to Condition 1 of consent 10/74070/000). This gives us no confidence that any future conditions would be adhered to.

To conclude, Long Copse Lane has been recognised by Havant Council for its rural character and is one of the very few left in the Borough. It should be valued and protected and this proposed application would, in my view, adversely impact on the Lane itself as well as the amenities of both residents and users.

Yours faithfully

A large black rectangular box redacting the signature of Jacqueline Langdon.

Jacqueline Langdon