

20 Long Copse Lane
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Chief Planning Officer
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Dear Sir or Madam,

Ref: **APP/16/00021** - *Change of use of private equestrian centre in Long Copse Lane*

I am very concerned about this proposed development and base my objections on the following grounds:

INADEQUATE NOTICE OF THE PROPOSALS

I walk the lane regularly and the planning notices had to be pointed out to me and even then they were displayed at an unacceptable distance from the development area in question.

EROSION OF THE RURAL GAP

The rural gap between Emsworth and Westbourne is precious and this development clearly adds residential units which would not only erode the gap but also be contrary to the character of Long Copse Lane.

AMENITIES

Long Copse lane is a well-used quiet lane frequented at weekends by walkers, horse riders and cyclists and the extra traffic generated by the proposed development (would be unwelcome. In addition to this during the week parents are walking children to school. A serious road safety issue is very likely not least because of the nature of large vehicles towing large caravans.

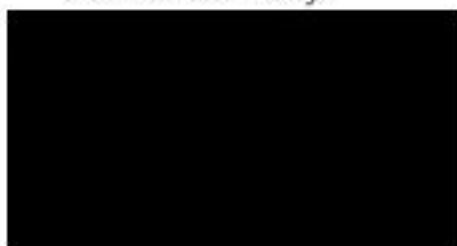
GROUND WATER

It has long been recognized that there is a great deal of surface water come off the higher ground north of Long Copse Lane (the road is often running with water long after other roads are dry). This water then makes it's way to sensitive streams south of the lane. Any soakaways or foul water is unlikely to be able to be managed properly on this site.

NEGLECTED HISTORIC PLANNING REQUIREMENTS

This site is well known, in the lane, for having a long history of neglecting planning requirements with little enforcement action taken. There is a significant risk that, should planning permission be granted, there would be a further disregard for planning requirements which will result in an even greater impact on a quiet residential area much used as an amenity my many in North Emsworth.

Yours faithfully



Mr David Cockerill