

I wish to register 6 additional objections to my previous 37 objections as part of my submission on Bargate Homes planning application for the land south of Lower Road in Old Bedhampton (App/19/00427) for the following reasons:

**38. The development will cause greater danger on the mini roundabout**

The mini roundabout prior to turning right into Brookside Road from the West approach can become grid locked when too many cars are waiting to enter Brookside Road due to the extremely short distance allocated for cars to wait as seen in the photograph below:



The increase in traffic levels due to the proposed development will make this bad situation even worse and the mini roundabout will become even more dangerous. Why would Havant Borough Council allow this to happen? I have just walked past the mini roundabout today (16/06/2019) and can report another recent incident, evident from the pieces of red brake light plastic and orange indicator plastic laying in the junction of Maylands Road. This is probably just another unreported incident, as many of these are, which has occurred on the mini roundabout.

**39. The mini roundabout traffic incidents are not referred to in the proposal**

There is a mini roundabout on the exit to Brookside Road and the traffic incidents on this mini roundabout are not referred to in the proposal. There have been a number of incidents on the mini roundabout which have been conveniently omitted from the development proposal. Why would Havant Borough Council want to allow this omission to go unquestioned?

**40. Cycle parking is not shown in the proposal**

No long term cycle parking is shown in the proposal which applies to schemes of more than 10 houses. What else has not been considered in the proposal?

#### **41. The proposal neglects the state of the pathways near the blind bends**

The pathways leading to the blind bends are in poor condition and users find them difficult to navigate, especially the elderly and pushchair users. The pathway leading to the corner by the Elms is shown below:



The absence of any pathways between the bends creates safety problems for pedestrians and passing vehicles which Havant Borough Council and Hampshire County Council have already acknowledged but the poor condition of what pathways are there seems to be neglected in the development proposal.

#### **42. The development would destroy the Conservation Area setting forever**

The damage caused to the Conservation Area setting would be irreversible and unforgivable. The views from many positions surrounding this proposed development would harm the conservation area setting. The developer has acknowledged this by proposing screening of the site but this is flawed and will not be maintained going forward therefore exposing the site to the surrounding views. Please see the hedgerow viewed from the corner of the current conservation area in the picture below:



The development plans to remove part of this hedgerow and significantly change the setting along Lower Road. A protruding junction limiting the width of the narrow lane is planned which would create traffic issues and become a danger to all other road users. Also, whatever is left of the hedgerow may not be maintained by the proposed management company leading to future removal.

#### **43. Strong opposition to housing development in Old Bedhampton**

There is strong opposition from within the local voting population and from the many visitors to Old Bedhampton covering a large number of diverse issues. The overall consensus is how the Council could possibly let this development happen. Havant Borough Council should take full notice of their resident's concerns and objections when considering this application and fully reject any planning permission. The Conservation Area Review and Local Plan Examination is not yet complete.

In summary, the 37 objections previously submitted and the additional 6 objections detailed above does not include the many other valid points made by the high number of objectors to this development. A number of the objections raised may well be reduced by some changes to the proposed plan but the majority will never be removed totally and the cumulative effect of these remaining objections signify a major reason for refusing the planning application. I strongly object to the proposed development and hope the council will agree with the objections raised regarding this flawed and poor quality planning application. The right decision is to refuse any planning permission. Havant Borough Council should be proud to have the Old Bedhampton Conservation Area within its borough and fight to maintain, protect and enhance it. I can only hope that common sense will prevail and this development proposal will be rejected because the harm created will be greater than the benefit provided.

