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Dear Planning Services

Ref APP/26/1093

I wish to record, for the umpteenth
time, my views on the above
application. It seems to me that
objections fall into 2 classes:-

1. Site specific.
2. Site more general.

Regarding class 1. These seem to
be concerned with flooding. Our garden
is adjacent to the field concerned
and we know from concerning
experience the frequency that both
flood. Others more expert than I
in matters of hydrology, tidal
locking and kindred issues

will doubtless amplify these issues to you. All I know is that flooding is an issue and, given reports a Panarama this very day, it is ~~one~~ ^{one} likely to get substantially worse in the near future.

Regarding Class 2

First my assumptions :-

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } 195 \text{ houses} &= 2 \text{ adults/house} \\ &= 390 \text{ adults} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} + \text{ children: shall we say } 1.5/\text{house} \\ &\approx 300 \text{ children} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \text{The best part of } \underline{700 \text{ souls}} \text{ on the site}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } 195 \text{ houses} &= \\ &\text{at least } \underline{200 \text{ cars}} \text{ + very likely} \\ &\text{more so } \underline{225/250} \text{ would} \\ &\text{not be unreasonable} \end{aligned}$$

All reasonable I assert.

So what follows.

The cars :-

1. Can you imagine the chaos/danger caused by 200 cars + inking and outing onto Siriah Lane? Similarly, passing thro' Station Rd West Town?
2. ~~Then~~ they issue onto the main N-S road. It may be worth noting that the basic/skeletal road pattern of this Island today is exactly the same as it was when the First Edition of the O.S. map was issued in the early 1800s. Nor are the roads spectacularly wider now.

So roads created for horses and carts are expected to carry at least 200 more cars than they do already and today they are already overloaded.

One decent crash, one set of roadworks, one dustbin lorry already causes trouble And you think 200 cars more will not cause trouble? I beg to disagree.

3 And then we come to the Bridge.

This month's Hayling Herald notes this already overloaded structure is in need of repair and you intend to put even more load on it. Can you imagine the chaos when such repairs are undertaken?

4 And then we come to the A27/A3023 roundabout
No comment is necessary, is it

In Sum. This development intends to make already bad worse so I vehemently oppose it.

And so we come to the impact of

2 The Souls

All 700 of them big, small, old, young, male, female, black, white, brown,

— already our doctors is at max capacity,

— already our 3 schools are too

can 700 more souls be catered for?

can at least 200+ folks find work on this Island? Some hopes

i.e 200+ go by car off island

This Island manifestly does not have the infrastructure needed to cope with 700+ souls in addition to its current population

Others more expert than I in the appropriate academic fields

have earlier pointed out that the demands currently placed on the water supply and sewerage system are reaching full capacity. Can these systems cater for the demands of 700 more?

Some of these souls will be mothers with babies in prams. I will happily wager three half crowns no one in the Department has ever tried walking from Sinak lane to West Town with a pram/push chair... try it and then you will discover quite what an effort that is. Narrow pavements, no pavements, lethal pavements, road crossings → the list goes on.

And then we have :-

The Waders

I had to laugh this week when The Portsmouth News + South Today ~~that~~ reported that Brent Geese had chosen not to use a site designated for their use but to go elsewhere on the Sea Front. Clearly the designated Jobsworth had not told them where they should be. What makes you think that our birds will use this "refuge" when they will be cheek by jowl with umpteen cats, dogs, children etc?

A number of other issues arise.

1. What will happen to the birds + bats which currently roost there?

2. The photos Barratts use to advertise are a joke. They show fairly mature trees across the site. Are they really going to plant mature trees? Three half crows says NO.

All in all this application should be rejected for all the reasons cited above whatever those in the Council who don't know this Island think. We need housing I agree but this site is not suitable for such a development

I most vehemently urge you to reject it forthwith

Yours faithfully

