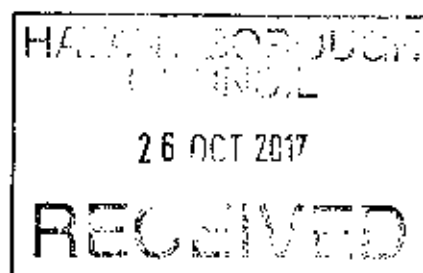


Springfields
Victoria Road
Hayling Island
PO110LU.



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25th Oct 2017

For the attention of Mrs K, Wooden.

Dear Mrs Wooden,

I understand from my neighbours that a proposal for a new vehicular access is being sought in the field adjacent to our properties in Victoria road. This, it appears, is by the same persons who brought an application to your office in the spring of 2016. (See App/16/00319 and resulting appeal)

I wish to strongly object to this new application.

My first question is why?

There are to my knowledge already over six gates on to this particular field. In fact we have feast of gates.! None of which seem to suit the owners at this present time. Could it be because the 2.6 acres that would benefit from vehicular access is I understand up for sale again, and of course such access would increase the value of the land going forward?

In the application I would like to draw your attention to sections 12 and 14 - Environmental flood risk and Contamination.

Both of these questions are cause for concern. The field is a designated flood plain, level three. It was one of the main reasons that app/16/00319 was turned down.

As far as contamination is concerned many residents are well aware that the Pumping station at the east end of the field and

next to the acreage that is now back on the market, Will and does overflow into the field at peak times. This Pumping station takes all of Hayling's waste matter off the Island.

These facts are already known to the owner of the field. Yet in the tick boxes provided they seemed to have slipped out of one's memory.

No less importance is traffic flow.

This road was a farm track fifty years ago. As houses were built road surfaces of all sorts were put down and part of the road is still unadopted . Therefore, it is by nature a narrow road. Already traffic in the road often has to wait for each other to pass.

As an example, last Sunday the weather was perfect for windsurfing on Langstone Harbour. Many cars were parked in the road on the very side that the gate is proposed; this lead to some quite difficult driving manoeuvres. Were this to be a regular pattern of traffic there would undoubtedly be a safety issue.

Lastly may I draw your attention to a matter concerning the Hawthorn Hedgerow through which the access would have to go.

Ten years ago three gates appeared on the edge of the field at the east end of Victoria Road.

It appeared that the owner of the field was considering selling plots of land to developers and therefore needed access. During the discussions that then obviously followed it was discovered that no one owned the Hawthorn Hedge; They were eventually designated as 'Ancient Hedgerow'

This same hedge is now under threat again. But if it was 'Ancient Hedgerow' in 2004, it must follow that the same is still true. In fact it is more ancient as time goes on!!

Please respect the points raised in all the correspondence your office receives on this matter. By one stroke of a pen something more precious than profit could be gone.

Yours sincerely

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of Angela Wheelwright.

Angela Wheelwright (Mrs).