

# Comment for planning application WSCC/052/20

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| Name               | <input type="text" value="Rick Priest"/>   |
| Address            | <input type="text" value="GREEN OAKS, BARNHAM ROAD, BARNHAM ROAD, BOGNOR REGIS, PO22 0EB"/>  |
| Type of Comment    | <input type="text" value="Objection"/>   |
| Comments           | <p>I am aware that Barnham and Eastergate Parish Council have objected to this planning application and I generally support their concerns. However, this topic has been debated for more than 10 years and the uncertainty has been so detrimental to us that I would now prefer that it is completed as soon as possible. However, I have a number of specific concerns as we live in Green Oaks, a property directly affected by the proposals. 1) Safety concern - Barnham Road roundabout: I have repeatedly raised concerns about the proximity of the proposed new roundabout to our existing driveway at Green Oaks. It is less than 18 metres (see drawing supplied to me by WSCC ). I have asked for a formal written statement from WSCC that they consider the design to be safe. This has not been supplied and I can't find it in the various planning application appendices. I am very concerned that when turning out of our driveway (especially west towards Eastergate) we will be in danger of being hit by oncoming traffic. I know everyone should keep to the speed limit but in reality not everyone does. The plans also show a footpath (NOT a Shared Footway/cycleway) outside the entrance to Green Oaks. Presumably it is intended that this is the same as the existing arrangement. The reality is that cyclists already use this footpath rather than riding on the road. With the increased traffic the likelihood of accidents will increase. I know efforts have been made to move the roundabout further south and west on Barnham Road but still don't understand why it cannot be moved further away. I have asked for discussions with WSCC experts to understand their constraints but they have not answered my request. Now that the plan shows the intent to relocate the entrance to Halo onto the new A29, I don't understand why the roundabout cannot be moved further away from Green Oaks. 2) Light and noise pollution: according to the plans there will be eight (8) lighting columns very close to Green Oaks. The proposed screening on the new A29 stops level with our house, several meters before the roundabout. We have three bedrooms that will be directly impacted by the increased noise and light from the new roundabout and road. Again this problem could be at least partially resolved by moving the roundabout south / west. 3) Surface water drainage: the surface water drains in Barnham Road, to the East and West of the new roundabout, are not currently fit for purpose and the road floods regularly when it rains. I have previously reported this to WSCC and have many photos taken over several months if required. However, I don't think WSCC dispute there is a problem. I have been told by WSCC that they are having the drains reviewed. I am very concerned that the design of the A29 realignment does not adequately include the failures of the existing drains in Barnham Road. If these are not resolved and adequate maintenance ensured the flooding will get worse. The drainage ponds shown in the plans do not address this concern.</p> |
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| Attachments        | The following files have been uploaded:<br><a href="#">A29 realignment Barnham Road roundabout.pdf</a>   |