Comment for planning application WSCC/052/20

Application number	WSCC/052/20
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Type of Comment	Objection
	Please accept the following comments as an objection to this application. The National Planning Policy Framework states "Development should only be prevented or refused on highways grounds if there would be an unacceptable impact on highway safety, or the residual cumulative impacts on the road network would be severe" (paragraph 109). The impact of this application is to create additional peak demand flow on key junction arms at Fontwell West roundabout that will be above capacity in opening year and which must therefore be classified as severe (Transport Assessment, Table 5.7). The direct consequences of exceeding capacity include re-routing of A29 traffic to minor roads including Wandleys Lane as vehicle users seek to avoid queues at Fontwell West. This is predicted by the applicant's own traffic model (e.g. Transport Assessment, Figure 5.2). NPPF therefore requires permission to be refused unless WSCC can demonstrate how the impact of the development on the local and strategic road network can be mitigated to Nil detriment. This information has not been provided by WSCC. The unmitigated severe impact of the Phase 1A29 realignment at Fontwell will be further aggravated by construction of the A27 Arundel Bypass. The preferred route (Grey) increases peak demand flow at Fontwell East roundabout by up to 78%. Most of this additional traffic will enter from Fontwell West. WSCC is encouraged to take an integrated rather than piecemeal approach to the cumulative network impacts of all proposed housing and transport infrastructure development in the area. This would better serve it multiple roles as developer, county highways authority and collaborator with Highways England in the preliminary design phase of the A27 Arundel Bypass, including the mitigation that WSCC has promised to seek on behalf of residents (https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/news/media-statement- re-today-s-highways-england-a27-arundel-bypass-preferred-route-announcement/). That mitigation has to address the present and future problems at Fontwell whi
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