Comment for planning application WSCC/052/20

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Type of Comment Comments

Objection

I am disappointed to see that many concerns and objections raised by myself, neighbours and other members of the public have not been addressed. And I whole heartily agree with the Barnham and Eastergate parish councils when they say "It is our opinion that WSCC has failed to take account of legitimate, serious concerns resulting in unsustainable, and in some cases dangerous planning; and that the identified shortcomings have to be fully corrected before planning permission is given." My property directly backs on to the proposed realignment scheme and I will be greatly affected by the increased light, noise and air pollution which will be created by the significant increase in traffic from the proposed house building programme. The assessment that minor roads like Eastergate lane will not experience increased traffic growth of more than 30% appears to have been made without any supporting evidence. Eastergate Lane has a diverse community, with some vulnerable adults. The lane has no footpath and any even a slight increase in traffic puts pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders (NMUs) who regularly use the lane in danger. I am particularly concerned with the proposed roundabout adjacent to SPR, the plans of which show no safety crossing. Even though I am in my 80's I regularly walk to the local doctors and post office and I know lots of school children also use this route to and from school. Not having a controlled pedestrian crossing to allow safe crossing, places our most vulnerable residence in unnecessary and unacceptable danger. During the application preparation stage, I wrote to Elaine Martin to ask how my wheelchair bound husband and I would be able to pass safely southwards along the existing Fontwell Avenue footpath but I received no reply. We are blessed to have a vibrant biodiversity and I frequently see deer grazing on my property and know they are only one of a multitude of animals which will be seriously affected by these plans. Natural England believes that a large loss of habitat for badgers will occur and that "there is likely to be a severance to and loss of bat habit" I believe a far more comprehensive study needs to be undertaken.

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