

## Brooklands Farm Development Objection

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We are writing to register our objection to the above planned development. As local residents for 25 years, we have seen numerous new housing and commercial developments granted planning permission despite the local roads and services struggling or failing to cope with the added strain of more residents and more traffic. As more land is developed more flooding and drainage problems have occurred - flooding is more severe and frequent. The flooding which occurred in South Street and Chestfield this past winter is already the worst we have known. The additional sewage created by this proposed development would only cause more discharge into the local rivers and the sea, polluting waterways and causing more environmental hazards. The additional traffic alone - at least 3000 cars, on roads which are already busy will cause gridlocks. Local community services are overwhelmed currently and would fail to meet the higher demand the additional residents would create.

The residential areas are spreading so quickly they are sprawling into each other and we are losing vital open spaces and failing to conserve nature. Losing more farmland and therefore locally produced fruit and other crops increases the need for imported food which has cost and environmental implications. This area used to be rural, quiet and there was open space and countryside for everyone to enjoy. The constant developments that are appearing throughout the area are spoiling the area for existing and new residents. Enough is enough, the Council must show they do care about the loss of open space, biodiversity, increased pollution due to increased traffic, sewage, light and noise. The Council must make a stand and demonstrate that over development of the area is not acceptable for its residents. In summary, we object to this planned development of the Brooklands Farm Site.

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