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I object to Draft Local Plan Policy W4 Brooklands farm as a current resident of the area on the following grounds:

- 1. Overdevelopment in the area which has already seen a number of large and medium scale housing development sites nearby and the impact these have had for local residents. This level of overdevelopment is not sustainable.
- 2. The Increased traffic on our local roads which are already experiencing greater level of congestion due to the impact of current recent developments. This development would ultimately add thousands more cars on to our local road system and consequently even more congestion.
- 3. The loss of valuable, essential farm land when more local agriculture needs to be encouraged to ensure potential food security for the future. Also the impact this development would have on the natural environment of this area and its biodiversity at a time when nature conservation is increasingly considered to be vital to preservation the Planet.

This extensive area of development would also result in the destruction of what should be considered important protected Green Belt land and result in a loss of amenity for local people to enjoy.

4. The pressure that this would place on water supply and sewage processing in the area. There is already a strain placed on these services, added to by current large scale developments nearby and this can only be further impacted by the extra large numbers of proposed properties. We are already subjected to frequent hosepipe bans due to inadequate water reserves and there are frequent alerts of storm sewage being released into the sea at the overstressed local treatment works. Whilst current improvements are being carried out at the Swalecliffe treatment plant, I fear this will fail to be adequate prevention of the incidence of such pollution were this large scale development to be approved alongside the numerous other local housing developments recently approved and currently proposed.

Allied to this is the increased risk of flooding in the area from surface water which is already an issue due to current pressure on the water course in the area.

5.The lack of consideration of the increased pressure this will have on the already overstretched local NHS services. Essential access to GP, specialist hospital care waiting lists, A&E waiting times and access to NHS dental services are already stretched beyond capacity and do not seem to have been adequately considered in this proposal which along with other local developments are going to add thousands more people into the equation.

6. The impact that all the above will have on the well being of local residents should the proposed Brooklands Farm development be approved.

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