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To: Planning
Subject: OBJECTION: APPLICATION DC/25/2057-LAND NORTH OF LITTLE SLAUGHTERFORD
CHAPEL ROAD, BARNS GREEN - 68 DWELLINGS - MILLER HOMES

Categories: Comments Received

I very strongly oppose the application by Miller Homes for the development of 68 houses in the centre of Barns Green.

1. Of particular concern is the existing matter of the continuous leakage of sewage within and around the village due to the lack of capacity at the Barns Green Wastewater Treatment Works for the existing community. However Southern Water continue to mislead by stating that there is sufficient capacity for the Miller Homes development of 68 houses when the capacity and infrastructure are not currently fit for purpose. Southern Water are also proposing to have additional sewage transferred to the already overloaded BGWTW following the closure of the Itchingfield facility. The Miller Homes application should therefore be refused and Southern Waters management of waste water thoroughly investigated.
2. There is considerable concern about the disruption and damage to the narrow roads in and around the village with the constant use of heavy construction lorries. The proposed development is in the centre of the village containing many listed and character properties which could be damaged by the continuous movement of heavy lorries required for the construction of the development. The three way traffic, with the entrance to the development being opposite the village shop, would create a village traffic nightmare especially for the shop and the Queens Head pub. Both the shop and pub rely on public parking in the road immediately outside the shop together with delivery lorries constantly delivering to their businesses to keep their businesses thriving, This will be impossible if the application were to be approved with all the disruption caused in the process of developing the site.
3. There is no adequate transport system in the village and the development would certainly involve the addition of many more cars within the village increasing emissions and road maintenance.
4. The proposed site is a field surrounded by ancient trees and hedgerows right in the centre of the village which would no longer be available for community and charity events and would have a serious impact on the village and its community. It also conflicts with the 'Countryside Policy', the development site lies outside the Built-up Area Boundary and is defined as 'Countryside' where development should only be permitted if essential. Barns Green is a beautiful rural village and Miller Homes would be an overdevelopment of inappropriate house design, height and the density is urbanisation which is not suitable for Barns Green.

I therefore strongly oppose the application.

Resident of Barns Green