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Sent: 18 February 2024 17:22
To: Amanda.Wilkes
Cc: Planning
Subject: Objection to Sandgate Nurseries, Henfield Proposal: DC/23/0189
Categories: Comments Received

Dear Ms Wilkes

I write to object in the strongest possible terms to the proposed plan, reference DC/23/0189, to build housing on the Sandgate Nurseries site.

The plan is for 72 retirement units and 10 stater homes, which goes completely against the Neighbourhood Plan proposals. There is overwhelming local support for this Neighbourhood Plan, and alternative sites have been suggested.

The Sandgate area is a countryside site, and building upon it would be detrimental to the wildlife and countryside, as well as the enjoyment of local residents and visitors to this beautiful and environmentally significant area: the gateway to the South Downs.

The 'green corridor' of Hollands Lane is an important consideration, and this would be ruined by such a development.

Furthermore, Hollands Lane is of important historical significance, because it hosts the Grade 2 listed building Camellia Cottage. A new housing development would impair the setting of this building and is therefore against HDDP policy 34 (NPPF paragraph 200). Speaking as a Henfield resident of another Grade 2 listed building, I understand the significance of protecting the *setting* of such a building, which is part of the Horsham District Heritage Trail. This is a popular route and attracts many and much needed tourists to the area.

The area is prone to flooding, which is another aspect that makes the proposal unsuitable.

Please prohibit the building of this unwanted development for all the reasons given above.

Thanks you.

Yours sincerely,

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