From: **Village Concerns** villageconcerns2016@gmail.com
Subject: Update 42 / Hesmonds Stud / Ailies Lane. Advice on objections
Date: 29 December 2017 at 10:09
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Thank you for all the objections that have already been submitted. There are about 55 objections lodged. Be great if we could get to 100. The deadline is January 8th (it was the 5th but seems to have changed) so plenty of time to still do so.

Village Concerns wishes you all the best for 2018 and thank you for all your support.

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Note three attachments to this email. Thank you.

Hesmonds Planning Application - Update

We have now studied the documents. An amendment was submitted on December 1st 2017 regarding the two entrances on London Rd.
The rest of the Application for 205 houses and Ailies Lane remains exactly the same.

The First Amendment to the access arrangements was submitted in Feb 2017 and showed a roundabout access to the main site entrance and the removal of the hedgerow and trees shown in red in the first attachment.

The Second Amendment shows a right turn box and even more hedgerow removal, shown in red in the second attachment

Please find the time to object again to this amendment. It is important to show that East Hoathly is still strongly against this application. We have until January 8th 2018 to object (despite the letter saying Dec 22nd 2017) but we suggest that you get it done before Christmas

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You can object in 3 ways. Whichever way you choose always quote the Planning Application Reference:
WD/2016/2796/MAO and give your name and address.

a. Object online at: http://www.planning.wealden.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=136395

b. Email: planning@wealden.gov.uk

c. Write to: Head of Planning and Environmental Services

Wealden District Council

Vicarage Lane

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Suggested Wording for your Objection - if you have objected before:

My original objection (dated*) to Planning Application WD/2016/2796/MAO still stands. The amendments submitted on Dec 1st 2017 in no way overcome my original objection. Please do not approve this application. * If you do not know the date just leave this out.

You can if you wish go on to make a more detailed objection regarding the London Rd amendments and some suggestions follow at the end of this email.

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Environmental

Unnecessary destruction of species rich Verges, Hedges and Trees. These provide hugely important habitats for a wide range of birds and other animals including Great Crested Newts which use hedges to transit between sites and for foraging.

Loss of footpath leading to Weald Way entrance. The existing narrow footpath alongside Long Pond would be removed.

Destruction of Green Approach to Village. The curving road with wide green verges, ancient hedgerows and trees with fields beyond provides the setting for the Village Conservation area and Listed Buildings and community nestled within. The proposal would urbanise this Green Approach and utterly ruin this important feature of our landscape.

Ashdown Forest. There are no jobs or School places in the Village so most traffic from the new homes would go onto the Bypass adding to congestion and much of it would go through the Ashdown Forest exacerbating the already dangerous pollution levels.

Traffic and Road Safety

Safety Audit. The proposal for a "Right Turn Pocket" has been identified as likely to lead to rear end shunt style collisions. The times the Safety Audit was carried out were inadequate and did not give realistic traffic flows.

Access Width. The width of the access roads does not appear to show wide enough access for the largest vehicles which would overhang kerbs and could not pass each other without mounting the pavements or enter oncoming traffic lanes.

East Sussex County Council Highways Objection. ESCC Highways objected to this application in Feb 2017. This amendment fails to address their concerns for the London Road access.

Ailies Lane and Waldron Road

The Ailies Lane element and Waldron Road entrance has again been ignored and no traffic analysis or safety audit has been presented.

On another note, the Parish Council held its Planning Meeting on Monday 11 Dec 2017. The Parish Council will also submit an objection - as of December 22nd, it was not yet on the WDC website. Villagers attended and made their points of view known. Thank you.



First Amend...t 1.pdf



Second Amend...t 2.pdf



London Road Amended 3.pdf