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Planning Policy
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Chichester Local Plan Review Objection - Loxwood

To Whom It May Concern:

I hereby wish to formally object to the Local Plan Review as part of the current consultation, **specifically in regard to the proposals for new houses planned for Loxwood.**

My objection is based on the following grounds:

- (1) Having recently purchased a new home in Loxwood myself, it is clear that this village cannot further sustain additional development to the scale outlined by the CDC Local Plan without significant additional support to the local infrastructure. It appears CDC may have neglected proper analysis and due diligence regarding the sustainability of the sewerage infrastructure, specifically its current and future capacity limitations. I would expect to see evidence of plans from Southern Water explicitly committing to significantly improve the infrastructure in the coming years to meet this plan sufficiently. Lastly, I'm also concerned with the already increasing burden placed on local roads, the lack of a public transport system and also the expected impact to the (only) local school which already suffers funding issues - as a parent and commuter myself, these are also key interests of mine.
- (2) I am very concerned that CDC may not have followed due process regarding the allocation of houses to the various proposed sites. I would ask to see evidence of a "desktop" study and also evidence of consultation with local parishes in line with national planning guidance. I am somewhat concerned that Loxwood is being targeted to bear the brunt of the development burden (compared to other villages) and therefore I request transparency and clarity on the allocation process itself as a whole.

In summary, a small village like Loxwood cannot simply absorb a significant number of new houses without severely negatively impacting existing residents – **this is not a sound plan and there are concerns that a proper process has not been followed.** Therefore, I strongly object to this proposal and request revisions are made to address the concerns of our local parish council.

Yours Sincerely,

Pierre Venter
Loxwood Resident