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Planning Policy
Chichester District Council
East Pallant House
Chichester, PO19 1TY

Dear Sirs

Chichester District Council- Local Plan draft 2019-2035

I am writing to lodge my objections to the above plan as they relate to Loxwood Village.

First as a general comment the proposals are led by developers, who will always take the easy option and the one to make the most profit for them, rather than led by local needs, and the sustainability of the proposals.

My specific objections:

1- Unfair distribution of houses within the North area with the surrounding villages mostly not being allocated any additional houses

2- Sustainability, does not meet the required elements required to meet policy criteria, in particular:

a- the existing foul water infrastructure- the current system is at capacity, note the Nursery Green development has had to have a holding tank installed with the foul water only being pumped away when there is spare capacity at the treatment works. How will the system cope with the demands on it of additional houses. According to Southern Water there are no plans to increase capacity.

b- transport, virtually non existent with only one bus a day to Guildford, and two buses a week to Horsham. Thus any additional houses will put further pressure on the local roads and lead to increased pollution.

c- employment, the only employment opportunities in the surrounding area are very limited meaning that those occupying the new houses will need to drive. With modern family requirements this will mean an additional two cars per house, with no suitable transport further pressure on the already busy roads.

d- education, the local primary school is very close to its practical operating capacity, where will the additional primary school children go?

3- If the additional 125 houses are agreed it will result in 30% growth of houses over the next 18 years, seems a very unfair distribution of new houses compared to other areas in the North Plan.

Yours faithfully

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