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Land west of Selsfield Road, Ardingly

Dear Sir,

I am writing to object strongly to this planning application. The village does not have the existing infrastructure to support planning in that scale:

There is only one small school in the village
There is only one small shop in the village
The transport network is virtually useless
There is no pub in the village
We are already short of water in the village

To add to those reasons, The Showground has a unique character and attracts many many visitors. An area of housing next to it would detract severely from its character. There is often severe traffic congestion when the attractions are on, and extra traffic going into and out of an estate would add to the congestion. Also cars could find it very difficult to enter and exit the estate during those times . It can take up to an hour for other residents to reach their homes during attraction times.

Also the village has a unique character and history going back hundreds of years . A new estate would detract from that individuality.

The main roads into and out of the village are already very busy. This has been exaggerated by the Heidelberg works south of Ardingly which has expanded and puts many thundering lorries on the roads . My fourth cat was killed again on said road yesterday. The traffic is already dangerous.

To sum up, the village is too small, doesn't have the infrastructure, and the roads are already too busy and congested.