

Steven King

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Dear Mr King

My representations against these planning applications are:

1. When I moved to Crawley Down ten years ago, there were around 5,000 living in the village. I moved to [REDACTED] even at that point, I could not get my then 5 year old into [REDACTED] school. I, therefore, had to drive to [REDACTED]
2. At the time I moved, there was already an issue with the local coop not being able to cope with the footfall. Now the shelves have been moved so close together to try to afford more space that people cannot even pass in the aisles and the shop cannot cope. McColls were taken over by a Morrisons Local why the locals tend to avoid due to the prices and lack of availability. The shop is frequently closed and the hours are unpredictable. Even with a small amount of food being sold there, the capacity for the village is insufficient. Morrisons also acts as a newsagent and post office with one person serving across both.
3. The only local pub closed prior to me moving to the village. Over time, the bakery has closed.
4. There is a pharmacy which has again struggled to get drugs out and there can be a significant delay of around a week from the point prescriptions are issued
5. the GP surgery already often send their patients to their sister practices in East Grinstead 5 miles away. They cannot cope with more patients. There is no NHS dentist not even a bus that goes past my house even though I am actually on the main road opposite the proposed development.
6. notwithstanding the above, additional developments have been built in Crawley Down and Turners Hill further worsening the problem. Turners Hill residents share the pharmacy and the GP surgery.
7. in addition to the existing developments, two large hotels within a 2 mile radius are accommodating 700+ refugees which has added to the number of people.
8. to get to East Grinstead on a Sunday, there is a bus once an hour after a long walk to the bus stop. Unless you are a car user, public transport is insufficient.
9. the applications assume any new resident will stroll into the village. The village has insufficient resources and it is more like that traffic at the village shops, which is already insufficient, will worsen.
10. turners Hill Road is frequently closed for roadworks and is used by HGVs, a skip company, significant traffic to the South of England Showground, events at Tulleys Farm and there are frequent road traffic accidents at the cross roads a mile down. The development will add additional traffic.

11. children from the development are being encouraged to walk into the village yet it is a B road and highly dangerous.

the applications do not add any convenience store, facilities such as a school, GP or dentist to an area already oversubscribed. Instead they fulfil their social commitment by virtue of a care home which again will add to traffic including by non residents visiting their relatives who will need parking and be unfamiliar with an already dangerous road.

