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**Subject:** P/18/1073/FP Land to the south of Romsey Avenue

Dear Mr Salter

I am both incredulous and angry that Foreman Homes are persisting with their development application!

You've heard all the arguments already:

Environmental degradation,  
wildlife destruction,  
threats to the community, including schools, medical facilities and, indeed,  
our very own football club, AFC Portchester, which is an essential and crucial part of this community for young and old alike.

The destruction of valuable top grade arable soil would be absolutely scandalous and criminal folly.  
Others more qualified than I will talk about more technical issues, such as water pressure and drainage.

I live a mile away so I am no NIMBY; simply a sane, clear and logical-thinking middle-aged person who can see yet another threat to the quality of a community brought about by the greed and lack of empathy and, indeed, dishonesty of developers who care about nothing more than their bank balances! This trend of developers ruling the roost cannot be allowed to continue!

I was involved in a realistic experiment to gauge the suitability of the access roads to the proposed development site. I was horrified to see and realise just how congested and dangerous Beaulieu Avenue, its junction with the A27 and also the East end of Romsey Avenue would be.

Inspections need to be done at the start and end of school. Pupils from both Wicor Primary and Cams Senior School flood the area, on foot, by car and by bicycle. There is simply no room and no place for builders' lorries in this situation. Someone will inevitably be killed!

We try to encourage children to walk to school, rather than travel by car, but in this case, we would be encouraging them to put their lives at risk on the congested roads, both during and after the development works.

The lack of sufficient parking spaces on the development would necessitate visitors parking in Romsey Avenue, when the number of spaces for Romsey Avenue residents would already be reduced.

The recent Cranleigh Road development made life pretty miserable for residents and for Wicor school, with the mud and thick dust, the latter making it difficult to breath.

So called mitigation for these problems on paper does not work in practical terms.

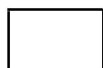
On top of all this, there has already been more than enough development in Portchester. There is no need for more houses in Portchester. There is no justification to make the community suffer further, simply because Wellbourne has been delayed. How tragic would it be if more precious land in Portchester was stolen now for no reason, other than to benefit the developers.

There are too many problems associated with this proposed development which, together, would make a Perfect Storm which would destroy all that is good about the environment, the community, the already-stretched infrastructure and, I fear, even the mental and physical health of residents and maybe even cause the death of a child!

This cannot be allowed to happen!

Yours earnestly

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