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Greetings,

Re. Plans for housing on Horsefield site, Emsworth, EM08A

I am writing to object to this proposal. The land is protected from development by what was designation as an Area of Outstanding National Beauty and is now inclusion in the Chichester Harbour National Landscape. Applications for planning permission have been rejected before on these grounds; nothing has changed, so Havant Borough Council should continue to carry out its duty to protect the area. National Planning Policy, paragraph 190, says that major development should be refused 'unless there are exceptional circumstances' and 'unless it is shown to be in the public interest'.

I am sure there is no need for me to remind you that the site is bordered by two small chalk streams and an ancient bank on which grow old oak trees, which I should imagine have protection orders – if not, they should have.

I should like to know who the land belongs to at present and who are the intended developers.

I would reiterate that is the Council's duty to protect the land, not to exploit it.

Yours faithfully,

Sarah Harrington