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Further to our telephone conversation this morning, please find below reasons why we object to the above Application:

We moved to Greenhills, Fernden Lane in 2015. Since then (large vehicle) traffic on Fernden Lane has steadily increased. The situation is now so bad that we regularly have cars waiting on our private drive for lorries/vans/tractors to pass each other, with great difficulty and often getting stuck on the narrow stretch outside our house.


We no longer walk or cycle up the lane from our house. Heavy lorries and delivery vans coming down the hill, frequently at breakneck speed, make this too dangerous. It is only a matter of time before there is a serious accident. We witness altercations between drivers, unwilling and/or unable to reverse so they can pass each other, on a weekly basis. Often, the only way they eventually manage it is by using our drive. If we were only dealing with cars, this would not be a problem, but with large vehicles, sometimes with trailers, driving or reversing up our narrow driveway to allow other large vehicles to pass, the high banks on and adjacent to our property get badly damaged several times a week (we have photographs to support this). Because of this we are now considering gating the entrance to our driveway, even though this would add to the chaos on the lane as it would take away one of the passing places.

We are located near the start of the lane so traffic from the A286 passes our house on the narrow, single track road. We had hoped that the traffic situation on Fernden Lane would be on the Council's radar and that it would be abundantly clear that further commercial development cannot possibly be supported due to the limited access.

We had intended to contact Chichester Council in any event, before finding out about the latest Application. In our location on the lane the situation is bad and getting worse. Approving the above Application would further increase the number of vehicles, including trucks, using the lane. It cannot cope with the size, volume and speed of the current traffic, so adding to this would be detrimental to those who live on Fernden Lane.

Kind regards,

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