

# Comments for Planning Application 21/00779/FUL

## Application Summary

Application Number: 21/00779/FUL

Address: Land At Seagrove Farm Road Seaview Isle Of Wight

Proposal: Proposed construction of eight dwellings and formation of vehicular access

Case Officer: Richard Holmes

## Customer Details

Name: Mr Alex Haig-Thomas, CPRE Isle of Wight,

Address: Barton Manor, Barton Estate, Whippingham PO32 6LB

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: CPRE, The Countryside Charity (IW branch), objects to the proposed construction of eight dwellings with vehicular access for the following reasons:

First, this is a precious greenfield site acting as "lungs" and providing vistas to the two villages. The Countryside Charity's policy is in line with the Nettlestone and Seaview Parish Council Policy to NOT build on greenfield sites and only build new homes on brownfield sites of which there are plenty on the Isle of Wight (please see the council's Brownfield Register).

Second, whilst all greenfield sites are a precious limited resource, this site is particularly important because it is the last green space acting as a natural division between the villages of Nettlestone and Seaview. This infill housing development would also create an unrelieved aspect of roofs and buildings that would destroy the distinctive and unique visual character of the Seagrove Bay area.

Third, on account of being the final greenfield between two populous villages, this site acts as a critical refuge for a plethora of wildlife including woodpeckers, warblers, raptors, hedgehogs, and dormice. All of which would be lost.

Fourth, the land provides high visual amenity with beautiful seascape views, enjoyed by the villagers and walkers using the Public Rights of Way. The views of St Helen's Fort and Seagrove Bay are rural and pretty and these would be lost forever if the land were to be developed.

Fifth, the traffic problems which these additional houses would create (covered in full by Island Roads and neighbours comments) are substantial leading to dangerous roads and higher air pollution levels.

This is a case of environmental vandalism and the wrong housing in the wrong place, for the sake of profit for a developer.