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27-56	<p><u>Land off Wesley lane</u></p> <p>One again we set out our comments regarding residential development in the fields off Wesley lane/Hamberts Marsh. A major problem is the main sewer running down Blind lane to the pumping station manholes 4301, 8503, 8901, 6306, 6302, 6301, 7906, 7904, 3902 - Wessex Water Map Viewer)</p> <p>This sewer takes both surface and soil water and is a 150mm diameter Pitch fibre pipe which with age deteriorates and becomes egg shaped. This small diameter <sup>pipe</sup> is in poor condition and is fed by the Southfields Estate Plus Wesley Lane, Hamberts Marsh, Duntink Cottage and parts of Hoopers Pool. Consequently at times of heavy rain the pipe cannot cope, the waste backs up</p>

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27-56 (cont)	<p>Lamberts Marsh is very close to ground level and the situation is unlikely to improve with climate change.</p> <p>We do not think it appropriate to site residential houses in an area subject to general flooding and connecting to a sewer unable to cope with existing conditions.</p> <p>We enclose copies of our submissions to the Rural Housing Forum relating to past proposals</p>
28-57	<p><u>Land at Blue Barn Farm</u></p> <p>Drainage and flooding problems on 27-56.</p> <p>Lamberts Marsh is a narrow country lane with barely enough room for two cars to pass safely.</p>

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<p>27-56 (cont)</p>	<p>and can result in sewage water entering our properties. We would refer you to Wessex Water for confirmation of this problem.                      The Southwick NDP talks of "increasing the sewer and increasing the storage capacity of the Chantry Gardens Pumping Station", but this would be a major infrastructure project with substantial financial implications.                      This site is also subject to surface water flooding with a risk of resulting in flooding in Lamberts Marsh. Our house has been flooded together with a landlord in similar claims. We have since carried out ground works to try and stop the ingress into our property, but it doesn't help that the water table at the southern end of the field and in</p>

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Rural Housing Trust

For [redacted]

Dear Sir,

Re: Proposed development at Wesley Lane, Southwick

At your presentation at Southwick Church last Tuesday, I gave you details of the up to date position regarding the drainage problem. I lived with Wesser Waste last year, and I confirm that they have not carried out any work - Blind have regarding the egg shaped pitch fibre pipe which is the cause of the problem. The only work carried out is to the rear of our houses in Lamberts Marsh, namely replacing a heavy duty manhole cover ~~to~~ and cover slab to NH 4703, and jacking some of the line. They also freed the clogged non return valve near NH 4704. This work involved five visits between August and November, but has not improved the situation, further flooding occurred on 11th January and 15th March.

As you can see the drainage problems haven't changed in the last four years. The problem is down to the existing combined surface and foul drain not being able to cope in times of heavy rain, it is only 150mm diameter pitch fibre and has gone egg shaped. The water table is also very close to the ground level.

Surely it is totally inappropriate to build

further properties in an area which gets flooded many times a year. My neighbor has I believe given you photographs of the field you propose to develop flooded in January.

This letter is set out to confirm the information we gave you last Tuesday, and is for your consideration.

Yours faithfully

