CHICHESTER HARBOUR AONB in Emsworth UNDER THREAT FROM CHANGES IN HAVANT LOCAL PLAN

Havant Borough Council are inviting submissions on their new strategies for planning. The Council is under pressure to meet unrealistic government-imposed house building targets. The protections against building on Chichester Harbour AONB are now under threat.

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The land at risk includes the fields west of Emsworth, from the horse field opposite the Brookfield Hotel to the coast.

YOU HAVE UNTIL **MONDAY 14th NOVEMB<u>ER</u> TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

WHAT DOES THE PROPOSED STRATEGY SAY?

- The Council 'will leave no stone unturned to identify sufficient land for 516 homes per year'.
- 'It will not be possible to protect all existing open or underdeveloped areas from development'.
- The current 'no development in the AONB policy' is to be replaced by a 'criteria-based development policy' which could allow developers to build in the AONB.

WHAT IS AT RISK?

Permitting even a small part of the AONB to be built on will set a precedent for other development permissions to be granted in the rest of the AONB in both Hampshire and West Sussex.

WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?

- 1. Go on-line to HBC website https://www.havant.gov.uk/local-plan
- 2. Click on the online survey link (in the top line of web-page text)
- 13. Carry out the 15 minutes survey (see green box under 'Getting involved')
- 4. Add any further comments (see 'submit a comment' boxes, will need a sign-in)

If you don't have internet access, please write to HBC Planning Policy Team, PO9 2AX



Who are we?

We are a group of Emsworth residents with an interest in protecting the AONB as a valuable natural habitat and open space - an increasingly rare asset in our Borough.

WHAT POINTS COULD YOU MAKE?

- 1. That the council must not accept the unrealistic housing targets being imposed on Havant.
- 2. That the council must not weaken the protection against development in the AONB.

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