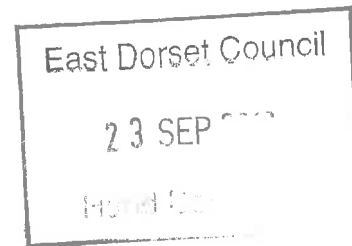


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The Development Manager  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Planning Application Ref: 3/16/1460/CLE**

**Anchor Paddock, Batchelors Lane, Holtwood**

We are concerned that EDDC might endorse retrospectively a recent expansion of tourist operations at Anchor Paddock. It is only in the last couple of years that there have been significant visitor numbers and commercial traffic in the lane, adversely affecting our environment and well being.

Indeed, a number of large aggregates lorries and other commercial vehicles have thundered down Batchelors Lane in the last few weeks, indicating that a significant development of activities is underway at Anchor Paddock. Batchelors Lane is a narrow unmade country lane.

We have two main concerns about the increase in visitor and vehicle numbers: one relating to traffic and one relating to other uses.

First, owners and visitors to Anchor Paddock drive at excessive speed in the lane outside our house. This risks serious accidents and is noisy. Importantly, the traffic generates damaging clouds of dust that cover our house, solar panels, garden areas/plants, and vehicles. As well as the costs and work of cleaning up this pollution, we fear adverse health effects. Heavy and frequent traffic undermines the road surface and is a danger to residents and other users.

Second, the recent increase in activity has meant other noise and seems to have generated sewerage problems. In the last two weeks, for example, there was a day when there was a persistent, severe stench emanating from Anchor Paddock. We hope EDDC's environmental officers ensure that there are adequate sewerage facilities on site to deal with the increase in visitor numbers. We worry that local water courses may be contaminated.

In addition, this summer, visitors to Anchor Paddock started walking their dogs up and down the lane outside our property. Dogs were allowed to defecate on the lane verges without their owners clearing up the mess. Also, dogs have come on to our property to "do their business". It is not fair that we have to clean up this mess from the verge and our own grounds.

We believe EDDC has a duty to protect residents from new business activities that have a deleterious effect on the local environment and personal well-being. As the examples above show, health and safety are at risk. The cost and enjoyment of our own home has been damaged by recent growth at Anchor Paddock. We ask for your protection.

Yours faithfully

