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To Whom it may concern,

I oppose any development at SEAT\_08 at the top of Churston Rise. I support all the points submitted by local residents so far which I will summarise but I also have serious concerns about further development due to the geology of the site .

1) The greenfield site being located on the skyline which would affect views from several directions including from areas of AONB.

2) It would potentially weaken the long term protection of neighbouring working fields.

3) It would destroy the natural habitat for many species of wildlife including protected bats.

4) It would remove a firebreak between the existing built up area including my home and Couchill Coppice.

5) It would remove the right of way from Churston Rise to the field and paths through Couchill Coppice which has been in use for many years.

6) It would cause greater strain on the already struggling drainage system.

7) I have a big worry of the damage to slope stability of further development above my home. Having worked in slope stability in Hong Kong many years ago , I did briefly look at the area before I bought my home. As there was no sign of movement in my home I went ahead and bought it. However it is possible that the mentioned site has a fault line running through it and unstable soils. I have evidence of natural ground water flowing through my garden ,which has killed plants and also has caused damage to the road in several places.

Based on these reasons I support the recommendation in the appendix2 : Site Selection - Interim findings at Tier One and Two Settlements Document that site SEAT\_08 should not be allocated as a site for further future residential development.

Yours sincerely

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Sent from my iPad