SOS BOHUNT MANOR COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP

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PRESS RELEASE

Many would have attended the public meeting that was held in the Millennium Hall on 9^{th} July 2013 to question the developers of Bohunt Manor Frontage Land regarding their plans for this piece of the South Downs National Park. This was a packed meeting with an overwhelming number of local people against developing this piece of land for housing.

Many people expressed their desire to campaign against housing development on this site and as a result of the meeting a pressure group called SOS Bohunt Manor Community Action Group has been formed to focus a campaign for the preservation of this ecologically important and historic piece of land. We are currently looking at ways to enhance this gateway to the South Downs National Park, thus ensuring its future for the village and for the Park.

The aim of the SOS Bohunt Manor Community Action Group is:-

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There has been an open invitation from the developers of the country estate to members of the public to attend an exhibition at the Estate on Saturday 7th December [10.00am to 3.30 pm] and Sunday 8th December [10.00am to 3.30 pm]

The SOS Bohunt Manor Community Action Group encourages members of the public to attend this exhibition to make their views known to the developers and their consultants.

We would recommend that members of the public confirm their views in writing to G L Hearn acting for Green Village Investments [GVI] by either letter or email: bohuntmanor@glhearn.com with an email copy to the Action Group support@sosbohuntmanor.co.uk, The South Downs National Park Authority planning @southdowns.gov.uk and East Hampshire District planningdev@easthants.gov.org. This will enable the public's input to this major planning application to be registered with the correct organisations.

Since the meeting in July and the invitation from GL Hearn we understand that 200+ houses are proposed and not 175 houses as previously indicated. These 200 houses would be additional to the 700 approved and/or recently built houses plus a further 700 houses likely to come forward for already identified sites within the Parish of Bramshott & Liphook.

The proposal for development is at complete variance to the South Downs National Park's objective to maintain the National Park's beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage.

Further information about the SOS Bohunt Manor Community Action can be found on our web site www.sosbohuntmanor.co.uk or by emailing support@sosbohuntmanor.co.uk

The SOS Bohunt Manor Community Action Group is in support of the current application (SDNP/13/04434/FUL) for the football pitch, construction of a Pavilion clubhouse for the Liphook United Football Club and a new pedestrian/cycle link, but has some reservations on the vehicle access route and car parking.

5th December 2013