

## A Petition to Wealden District Council

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### **WDC will allow our village to double in size. We must not let this to happen.**

East Hoathly has infrastructure challenges that need solving before any new development.

- The primary school is full.
- The GP Surgery is under resourced.
- Utilities are already strained with frequent supply problems of electricity and water.
- Traffic flow in the village is very difficult at the centre; traffic density on local roads is severe.
- Further housing will exacerbate existing sewage and surface water problems.

East Hoathly had 70 new homes without any infrastructure improvements and the previous local plan said there should be no more housing in East Hoathly. In the draft revised plan, November 2015, there was a proposal for 190 houses for the village.

Now the village has two proposals from developers for getting close to 400 homes. This could rise further considering the other land offered up for development.

The plans set a dangerous precedent and would bring about a fundamental change to the landscape and threaten the identity of the village of East Hoathly.

We are concerned that housing development in East Hoathly is being led by Developers rather than being considered within the context of a strategic plan that carefully evaluates local needs and the capacity of the infrastructure.

Wealden District Council, as our elected representative, has a duty of care to protect our environment and stop our quality of life being affected adversely.

**Reject all Outline Planning Applications while these matters are being addressed.**

**Signed**