Crawley Down is being held Prisoner!



CRAWLEY DOWN residents voted 4 to 1 in favour of leaving Worth Parish Council, but Mid Sussex and Copthorne are blocking the creation of a separate Crawley Down Village Council.

They say that Worth Parish is our community, not Crawley Down.

They say that a separate Village Council won't improve community cohesion.

They say that a separate Village Council won't mean better local democracy.

They say that the outcome was evenly balanced but they ignored more than one in ten of the responses.

They say the costs aren't justified but they have been unable to provide any evidence for their claims that it will cost £150,000. We say one off costs of £32,000 met from reserves and no increase in precept.

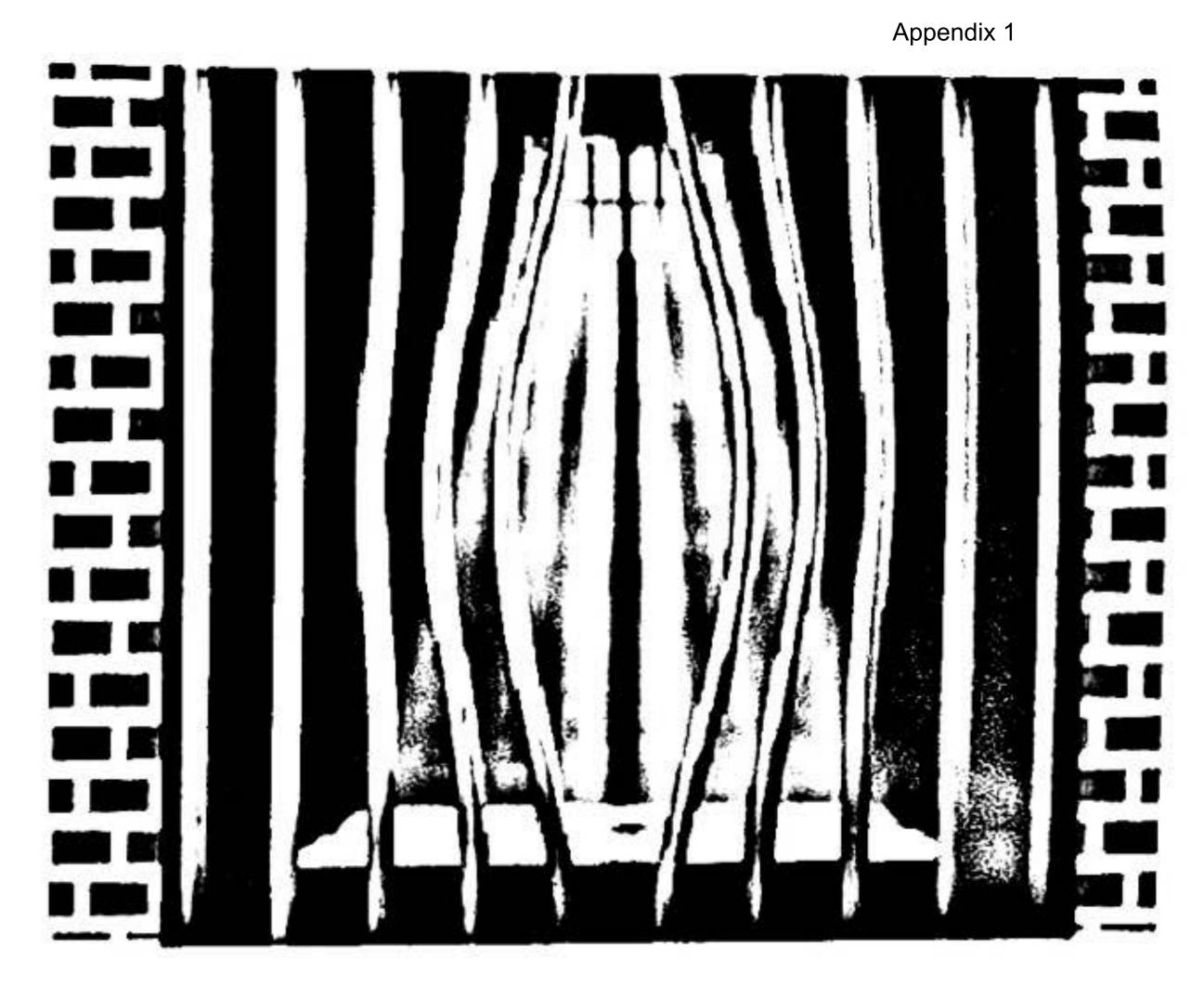
They say that too few Crawley Down Councillors are in favour, but we are the team that wrote the Neighbourhood Plan; all of us live in the village and have been members of Worth Parish for 10 years.

WE KNOW HOW A PARISH COUNCIL WORKS AND WE KNOW THE SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE THAT THE VILLAGE NEEDS.

Ask us for a copy of our costed plan and annual budget.

Its not too late:

IF YOU WANT CRAWLEY DOWN
TO HAVE ITS OWN VILLAGE
COUNCIL YOU NEED TO REPLY
TO THE SECOND CONSULTATION
BEFORE MONDAY 1st AUGUST.



If you believe that Crawley Down should be trusted to decide its own future; please write to Mid Sussex and tell them:

- Crawley Down is a separate community with a separate identity.
- That the improvements in local democracy and services justify the one-off costs of creating the new Village Council.
- That a Crawley Down Village Council will be better able to address the challenges that the village faces.
- To respect the 4 to 1 vote in favour of a separate Crawley Down Village Council in the first consultation.

And ask then to write and tell you if they intend to ignore your submission and to explain why you will be ignored.

Email your submission to: communitygovernancereviews@midsussex.gov.uk

Or post it to:

Democratic Services Mid Sussex District Council Oaklands, Haywards Heath, West Sussex RH16 1SS

Please send individual submissions and remember to include your name and address so that it can be checked against the Electoral Register.

We would like to keep track of your submissions. If you are happy for us to see them, please copy them to CDVC@kilnwood.com. We will not keep email addresses.