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Subject: DM/26/2433, Land East of college Lane, OBJECTION

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37 College Lane

Hurstpierpoint

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I object to the planning application DM/26/2433, land east of College Lane, Hurstpierpoint, for 100 dwellings for the following reasons:-

1. The cumulative effects on the local highways and access to the site will have major implications for not only Hurstpierpoint High Street, Stonepound crossroads and College Lane to the north towards Hurstpierpoint College.

Having lived in College Lane for the past 23 years just to the north of the entrance to this site, I am fully aware of the present problems caused by traffic, particularly en route to Hurstpierpoint College. Also cars parking in College Lane, close to the junction with Wickham Hill are a growing problem as car parking facilities at Hassocks Station have become very congested. The station at Hassocks is the only one servicing local commuters from the surrounding areas such as Albourne, Henfield etc. thus causing congestion problems through Hurstpierpoint.

2. I note that the Secretary of State refused the 2014 application by this developer for 81 homes. Thakeham are now applying for 100 homes. What has changed for the council to now consider this new application? Is the undeveloped break between Hassocks and Hurstpierpoint now no longer applicable?

3. I raised some of my concerns with Thakeham's representatives at the public consultation last March held in a Hurstpierpoint coffee house, but do not see any comments in their present transport assessment. (Table 5.2) They have used a detailed junction count on one day

last April, one of the warmest, sunniest and driest Aprils on record. Their scheme should be tested against busier days and winter school term conditions.

I ask that a more detailed assessment be made at Stonepound crossroads and also Hurstpierpoint High Street before any more developments are granted.

The council should consider the cumulative impact on not only this particular development, but also MM73 and MM75 on the immediate area before deciding on this application. I am particularly concerned about the effect of how our water supply will be impacted.

For these reasons the harm clearly outweighs the benefits, and I ask Mid Sussex District Council to refuse this planning application.

Yours Faithfully

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