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Dear Ms Tidey

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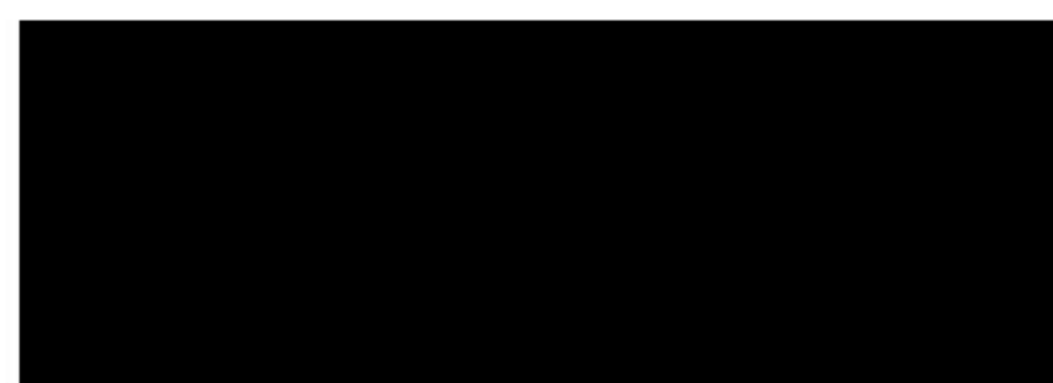
My wife and I live in the house adjoining Southview and I am writing to object to the planned development on the grounds below.

1. For the purposes of planning policy the site is located in the countryside and it does not share any boundary with the existing and defined built-up area of Sharpthorne.
2. The dwelling would not be suitable for agricultural or rural workers and would not provide affordable housing.
3. The relevant planning policies have a restrictive approach to new housing development and are intended to protect valued landscapes, namely the AONB, and to provide the amount and type of housing that meets the needs of all sectors of the community. This development totally fails to satisfy that need.
4. The site is within an AONB would adversely impact its landscape and scenic beauty and would impinge upon views from Top Road through the AONB.
5. The West Hoathly Neighbourhood Plan, 2014, does not include the appeal site as part of a site allocation in the village for housing.
6. The West Hoathly Neighbourhood Plan provides that its housing need can be met through adjusting the housing mix to provide more homes for younger families or older residents to remain in the parish in a home that is easier to maintain and this also includes the provision of affordable housing.
7. The West Hoathly Neighbourhood Plan has already allocated three sites in the village to meet these needs, two of which are close to the appeal site - one for around 24 dwellings and the other for around 16 dwellings.

8. The proposal would result in a random form of residential development, in the countryside, and harm the objectives of the relevant planning policies, making it harder to resist future piecemeal developments.

For the reasons above I would ask that the application is refused.

Yours sincerely,



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