

Comments for Planning Application 19/05000/HYB

Application Summary

Application Number: 19/05000/HYB

Address: DSTL Fort Halstead Crow Drive Halstead Sevenoaks KENT TN14 7BU

Proposal: Hybrid application comprising, in outline: development of business space (use classes B1a/b/c) of up to 27,773 sqm GEA; works within the X enclave relating to energetic testing operations, including fencing, access, car parking; development of up to 635 residential dwellings; development of a mixed use village centre (use classes A1/A3/A4/A5/B1a/D1/D2); land safeguarded for a primary school; change of use of Fort Area and bunkers to Historic Interpretation Centre (use class D1) with workshop space and; associated landscaping, works and infrastructure. In detail: demolition of existing buildings; change of use and works including extension and associated alterations to buildings Q13 and Q14 including landscaping and public realm, and primary and secondary accesses to the site.

Case Officer: Claire Shearing

Customer Details

Name: Mrs Jacqueline Kendall

Address: 39 Fort Road Sevenoaks

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Interested Parties

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: The over development of this site would be detrimental to the local area, currently the local area consists of a smallish development of houses, some ancient woodland and only one suitable road into the area.

If the population of the area increases to incorporate in excess of 600 dwellings, the roads and local services would be incapacitated as they barely cope with the present population now, local residents have had numerous occasions of being without drinking water for several weeks, and having to use bottled water. Would the local sewers cope?

Numerous wildlife can be seen in the local wooded area, with more people encroaching on their habitat, this would also be a disaster.

Local roads are not substantial enough to cope with a huge increase of use, plus the additional noise and pollution created by a large increase in vehicles, as local buses and trains do not serve this area. Crow Drive is not suitable for a prolonged influx of heavy construction vehicles. Local flooding of roads, can cause traffic to detour through other local villages, again causing traffic problems.

In summary, over development of this area would be completely detrimental to the existing local population and wildlife.