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: Mr Stephen Pierce

Address: 17 Armstrong Close Halstead Sevenoaks

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:I objected to this application when it was 450 dwellings being proposed. I can only object even more to the absurd proposal to build 635. There is still no public transport infrastructure, no amenities, the roads are inadequate and the water system is leaky and antiquated. We have also been told that the ground within Fort Halstead is contaminated. Has this problem been addressed?

It should also be noted that this is a Green Belt area with a blanket Tree Preservation Order, as we are surrounded by ancient woodland. Why do such mechanisms as Green Belt legislation and TPOs exist at all if they can be so casually disregarded?

The peaceful, rural nature of this area will be completely swept aside. How much of Sevenoaks' greenery and wildlife must be sacrificed on the altar of greed before people come to their senses and realise what has been forever lost?