

# 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 27,659 sq m GEA; works within the X enclave relating to energetic testing operations, including fencing, access, car parking; development of up to 750 residential dwellings; development of a mixed use village centre (use classes A1/A3/A4/A5/B1a/D1/D2); 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 H KENNEDY

Address: norton pound lane, knockholt sevenoaks

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:As a resident of Knockholt I do find it ludicrous this new application refuses to acknowledge previously noted comments regarding unsuitability of Star Hill as a major access road.

90 percent of roads in Knockholt Village have no footpath. Proposed cycle path ending on a blind bend is dangerous. Walking on Star Hill is dangerous.

Star Hill is unlit, has blind spots, no footpath, is less than the recommended width for lorries and has in parts gradient of 12%. It can be cut off in snow. Cyclists, walkers, horse riders as well as motor vehicles already negotiate this narrow stretch with extreme caution. It cannot take more commercial or residential traffic. I strongly object to the use of Star Hill as an exit.

Knockholt Village has narrow roads some single, eg by Three Horsehoes. The village cannot accommodate any increase in traffic. I object to the proposed plan.

Highway and planning authorities must follow disabled abilities act 2005 and provide equal opportunities. I object to the plan as Im unable to see any provision for this sector in the

community.

Why haven't Flood authority been consulted? Excess water from fields is already a problem on Start Hill which gets flooded. Kent has the highest surface water flood risk in the UK. There is no thought to this impact on lower areas. I object to the increase in number of houses as this has increased the surface water captured and released. There are little environmental considerations.

NAO report (may feb 2019) shows number of new homes for the past 3 years 2015-16, 2016-17 & 2017-18 have been greater than ambition. The increase in number of proposed houses is in excess cap. I object to any increase in development.

No provision of bungalows/elderly. Poor affordability.

This plan doesn't take into consideration nearby sites, the fact like companies like Fidelity are closing, vacant office spaces already Sevenoaks & Orpington and the thousands of properties already for sale in area.