SEVENOAKS DISTRICT COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING APPLICATION CONSULTATION RESPONSE

Reference	19/05000/HYB
Site:	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 toand primary and secondary accesses to the site.
Support:	
	Halstead Parish Council object to this application.
Objection and Reasons:	The amendments go no way to fix the issues raised in our previous application and therefore we continue to object to this application on the same grounds as our response from July 2020. The points below summarise our concerns.
	Density This application sees a 41% increase in dwellings from the extant planning permission with a density of 25-50DPH which is significantly higher that the surrounding area and village.
	AONB and Green Belt The NPPF asks fr development within the AONB to be limited in scale and extent. This proposal disregards that fact.
	Contamination concerns This council would still like to see easily digestible and independent reports of concerns that our residents have in regard to contamination of the site.
	An employment led site? The extant planning permissions were granted on the idea that this is an employment led site. Yet we see a large proportion of that original employment has been removed.
	Transport concerns We find a lack of sensible proposals for cycle paths and public transport options.
	We still find it impossible to accept that the traffic will not increase given the commercial aspects and the number of homes.
	Water supply. We still have concerns over water supply. We have heard anecdotally that this fears will be allayed but have yet to see evidence.
	Financial feasibility Affordable housing is not optional. We would like for SDC to ensure that development of affordable housing goes ahead. We are well too

	aware of how the financial feasibility of promises becomes disposable once building starts.
	Impact on the Green Belt Halstead Parish Council believe that this proposal should be considered unacceptable development in the Green Belt.
	Current residents We still wait to see what the impact on current residents will be once the proposed development is complete. They currently pay for road upkeep and have a shockingly bad water supply and it would be kind for the developers to show compassion and integrate these residents into the new development through open communication.
No objection: No comment:	
Further Comments:	
From	Louise Dancy on behalf of Halstead Parish Council
Date	15 April 2021