

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 Caroline Taylor

Address: Northdown Old London Rd Knockholt

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer made comments neither objecting to or supporting the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I agree that the Fort Halstead site must be developed to create new homes in Kent. ■

I do however have a few concerns still:

1. The Star Hill entrance will be used as a secondary entrance but this will be achieved through encouraging use of the main entrance via design, etc. I just want to stress how dangerous Star Hill is, particularly in adverse weather. In addition this road is crossed by numerous users of the Northdowns Way and the crossing point is already dangerous.
2. I'm not too sure we need a primary school in the area as we already have Halstead, Knockholt, Pratts Bottom, Dunton Green and Otford village schools nearby. As the northern most point in Kent though, our children and those who will be at Fort Halstead have a very small choice of oversubscribed secondary schools with none closer than 5 miles away.
3. The Fort Halstead development must have an effect on the proposed Broke Hill development by Quinn Estates because the infrastructure of roads and public transport and public services such as

secondary schools cannot accommodate 2 large developments.