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Proposed Lidle Foodstore, Havant
Planning Application Number APP/20/0122

Dear Sir,

I believe that the proposal is one of great potential benefit to the community of Bedhampton and indeed the south western end of Leigh Park. Lidle over the years has become not just a budget priced store but offers high value food items from UK sources and some across Europe and beyond. The location of the existing Lidle store in Leigh Park centre, although we use it, is beyond convenient walking distance from Hulbert road and the proposed location would permit shopping without the necessity to drive.

Previously a resident of Bath, where there were several years of debate about the necessity or even desirability of a proposal to build a Lidle store off the busy Lower Bristol road. It was eventually realised that Bath residents were using out of choice one in Bristol, a round trip of fifteen miles. This was despite all the other main brand food stores being present. It demonstrated a selective preference which was finally accepted. The new store was built with a well thought out car park and traffic access, having generous isles, numbers of checkouts and loading areas. It was an immediate success. I hope that can be repeated here in Havant.

Yours faithfully,

H Alan Whittaker

