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Dear Sir

APPLICATION NUMBER 19/00374 – FORTY ACRES, HAVANT ROAD, HAVANT PO9 3LW

I strongly **OBJECT** to this application, which is linked to the current application APP/18/00450, for the reasons set out below :-

- 1) The Arboricultural and Ecological issues at Forty Acres are extremely complex and include the preservation and planting of trees and hedgerows and there is potential for the proposed works to impact adversely on legally protected animal and plant species in the immediate surrounding landscape. The proposal does not address the numerous issues that currently exist.
- 2) The proposed felling of a line of Alder trees will inevitably result in a loss of habitat and is not consistent with retaining or providing a suitable and natural home/environment for a variety of animal and plant species.
- 3) No apparent consideration has been given for a long term programme for the management of and responsibility for the proposed Habitation Mitigation Zone.
- 4) In my considered opinion, the proposal has not been given adequate consideration and is a cynical ploy by the Developers to progress the current planning application APP/18/00450. I understand that it is proposed to transfer circa 15,000 tonnes of excess inert material from Waterlooville to Forty Acres Farm in Bedhampton which will clearly impact significantly on existing traffic flows – the effect needs to be thoroughly and independently investigated. Furthermore, the proposal takes no account of the impact on local residents caused by vehicle noise, dust and air quality. This aspect of the proposal also requires further detailed consideration and review.
There are already significant infrastructure issues concerned with the provision of educational facilities, transport services and medical services associated with the current planning application APP/18/00450 which do not appear to have been adequately investigated and considered by the local Planning Authority.
- 5) I was born and bred in Portsmouth and Forty Acre Farm has always provided a natural Gap between the communities and boundaries of Portsmouth and Havant. The Partnership for

South Hampshire state that "Forty Acres should be protected as it perfectly describes the definition of a Gap". It is vitally important that the Gap is preserved for future generations and continues to provide a natural and established home/environment for a wide variety of animals, birds and plants. This proposed, ill thought out development, will clearly deprive the local community of the natural green space/environment that they currently enjoy.

For the specific reasons given above I strongly **OBJECT** to this application, linked to the current planning application AP/18/00450, on the grounds that the proposed development is totally unnecessary in an already grossly overdeveloped area and is not in the public interest.

Yours faithfully

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