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Dear Sir,

Ref: Proposed Lidl Food Store, Manor Road, Hayling Island.
Application No. APP/17/00656

I am writing to you in support of the proposed development for the following reasons.

1. The present food shopping experience on Hayling Island is poor with limited products requiring regular visits off the island to larger supermarkets. Apart from the Co-op we only have 'convenience stores', by definition limited to 300 sq.mtrs in size.
Having a much larger retailer will greatly improve the shopping experience.
2. A good food retail unit will greatly reduce the need to travel off the Island thus reducing traffic on Havant Road and the already congested Havant town centre.
3. The new store will be a modern, light and spacious unit with good parking facilities. I have recently visited an almost new Lidl unit in Woolston, Southampton and was extremely impressed.
4. Around 40 new jobs will be created once the store opens.
5. The proposed location is ideally suited for the Lidl unit having easy access from all parts of the Island whatever mode of transport.

Please bring this letter of support to the attention of the planning committee.

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