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Subject: Objection to Planning Application [DC/25/1506] – Oxcroft Farm, Henfield Road, Small Dole, Henfield

Dear Sir,

I am writing to formally object to the above planning application currently under consideration. I am a regular visitor to family members who reside in the village and I believe that the proposed development would have a negative impact on the local community and environment.

My main reasons for objection are as follows:

1. Impact on Residential Amenity:

The proposed development would cause overlooking / overshadowing / loss of privacy / increased noise / loss of light for neighbouring properties, particularly those at 1 and 2 Henfield Road. This would significantly harm the quality of life for the existing residents of these properties.

2. Traffic and Parking Concerns:

The development would likely increase traffic congestion and parking pressures in the surrounding area. Henfield Road is an arterial road which already brings large numbers of vehicles through the village; many travelling at speed. Access to the proposed development would place additional strain on the local road network only exacerbate traffic problems.

3. Scale and Character of the Development:

The proposal is out of keeping with the existing character of the area. The current vista of open, green field land could never be sympathetically developed despite whatever claims could be made to the contrary. In short, the development would harm the visual amenity of the neighbourhood.

4. Environmental and Infrastructure Impact:

I am also concerned about the significant loss of green space, the resulting impact on

wildlife, the not insignificant challenge of adequate drainage and water supply but also the strain on local schools and health services. These issues have not been adequately addressed in the application.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that the Council refuse planning permission for this application.

Thank you for considering my comments. I trust that the planning department will consider the views of not only local residents but also routine visitors to the village and act to protect the character and amenity of this community.

Yours faithfully

