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Sirs,

I strongly object to this planning application on the grounds of overdevelopment, road safety and lack of infrastructure.

As has been noted on many previous applications for large scale developments in Thakeham the village has taken more than its fair share of new housing in the past years. The Thakeham Neighbourhood Plan still has legal stature until 2031 and such a development is not compliant with the plan.

There are already four existing sites approved for about 180 houses which would mean a total of around 330 additional houses even ignoring additional phases that tend to follow.

The B2139 is not suitable for even more traffic, having deep cuttings both to the north and south of the village. The geography of the area cannot be magicked away. More houses and more residents mean more traffic using these narrow roads as there are no viable alternatives to using cars to go outside of the village for work, major shopping and medical purposes.

The only local major village, Storrington is already under strain with a single medical practice, only one supermarket and a single bank.

Yours faithfully,

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