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DC/25/2057 Land North of Little Slaughterford

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[REDACTED] The Pump House, Chapel Road, Barns Green, West Sussex, RH13 0PS

Resident

Objection to proposed Miller Homes development.

The proposed development raises significant concerns in relation to scale, infrastructure impact, and environmental sustainability.

1/ The site has previously been felt to be undevelopable under the HDC Framework, the SHELAA, and the recently adopted Neighbourhood Plan. Several policy provisions in these documents support its rejection, and public consultation during the Call for Sites for the IP Neighbourhood Plan demonstrated overwhelming opposition to its inclusion.

2/ Introducing a new access point onto the main travel route will increase traffic volume, leading to congestion and a heightened risk of accidents. This issue will be exacerbated by the existing on-street parking outside the village shop and pub—both vital community hubs that provide important social and economic value to the village. These facilities would face additional strain during construction and as a result of long-term changes in traffic patterns and parking demand.

3/ Furthermore, the proposed development is likely to worsen local flooding. Increased built coverage will reduce permeable ground surfaces, accelerating surface water runoff toward Chapel Road. The village shop, located along this route, already experiences flooding during periods of heavy rainfall, with water flowing both from the proposed site and down Chapel Road. Any intensification of runoff would increase the frequency and severity of these flooding events.

4/ In terms of scale, the proposal represents a disproportionate increase in the number of dwellings within the parish, at a density that conflicts with the character of surrounding properties. This substantial addition follows closely after two significant recent developments in Barns Green, which together have already introduced over a hundred new homes to the village. The cumulative effect of further development so soon after these projects would place serious pressure on local infrastructure, community amenities, and the rural character of the area.

Taken together, these factors demonstrate that the proposed development is totally unsuitable and unsustainable for this location. It conflicts with established local planning policy, disregards community feedback, and poses unacceptable risks to road safety, flood management, and the integrity of the village's character and community life.

Yours faithfully