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APP/18/01033 - Land east of Castle Avenue

I am writing on behalf of Havant Civic Society to object to this planning application.

Whilst the site in question is part of a larger area, H16, proposed for housing in the Draft Havant Borough Local Plan 2036, the plan has yet to be adopted by Havant Borough Council, let alone been subject to the necessary formal scrutiny by a Planning Inspector.

We feel, therefore, that this application is premature and cannot nor should not be considered in isolation. The total number of dwellings proposed for site H16 is 260, whilst on the nearby Southleigh site KS5, the proposed allocation is for some 2,100 dwellings. This is a significant number and will have a substantial impact not only on the local roads but also on existing health and education provision with far reaching consequences. These consequences need to be resolved in principle before any development takes place. Even in isolation, this application and the likely further development of another 191 dwellings on site H16, will have a long lasting detrimental effect on the residents of Castle Avenue, St George's Avenue and other nearby roads, as well as on the staff and pupils of Warblington School.

We suggest therefore that this application is rejected until such time as the Draft Local Plan has been adopted and inspected and the bigger picture made much clearer. We would also ask, that is decided by the Development Management Committee, not left as a delegated decision.

Christopher Evans

Committee Member - Planning **Havant Civic Society**