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**Gilston Area – Outline Planning Application for Village 7
East Herts Council Application Reference 3/19/2124/OUT**

Hunsdon Parish Council is a sponsor of the Hunsdon with Eastwick and Gilston Neighbourhood Plan Group (HEGNPG). At our Parish Council meeting on Monday 15th March 2021 the councillors agreed to endorse the representation made by the HEGNPG setting out its response to the above planning application. You will be in receipt of the full response direct from the HEGNPG.

The Councillors remain disappointed with the application revisions in that an opportunity to address the substantial concerns raised with the original OUT has been passed over. In fact, very little has changed for the better and there are now some additions which raise even more serious objections than before.

We are strongly opposed to permitting Village 7 as a stand-alone development in our Parish as that would be a breach of Policy GA 1 and cause harm in planning terms.

There is no firm commitment to a delivery strategy which ensures that the necessary supporting infrastructure will be funded and provided not only in a timely phase with the development of Village 7, but comprehensively in phase with Villages 1-6 upon which it depends to ensure it is sustainable. There is a lack of detail and commitment in this application which has to be addressed before it can be determined by EHC.

Hunsdon Parish Council therefore registers its objection to the application and asks East Herts Council to seek further revisions and firm commitments to meet the issues raised in the HEGPNG response.

Yours faithfully

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