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**Standing up for Hertfordshire's countryside**

Mr Sam Dicocco  
Development Management  
East Hertfordshire District Council  
Wallfields  
Pegs Lane  
Hertford  
SG13 8EQ

Our Ref:

Your Ref:

8<sup>th</sup> October 2021 (by email)

Dear Mr Dicocco,

**Application no. 3/21/2114/OUT  
Land west of Stonehouse Farm, Stortford Road, Little Hadham, SG11 2DX  
Erection of two dwellings**

I write with reference to the above application. CPRE Hertfordshire objects to this proposal for the following reasons.

1. The site lies in the area designated as Rural Area Beyond the Green Belt (RABGB) in the adopted East Herts District Plan 2018. Paragraph 4.6.1 of the District Plan notes: "RABGB is a significant countryside resource which Policy GBR2 seeks to maintain by concentrating development within existing settlements."
2. Policy GBR2 identifies eight categories of development which may be permitted and this proposal falls into none of those categories. The proposal is in clear contravention of the intention of Policy GBR2 and a significant extension of the built up area beyond the Much Hadham village boundary
3. The proposal would make a significant impact on the open countryside which Policy GBR2 seeks to protect. This is a speculative proposal for housing which is inappropriate in this location and the Council is urged to refuse planning permission.



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Yours sincerely,

Chris Berry  
Planning Manager