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With reference to the site specific sustainability appraisal document recently circulated.

2.2 and 2.3. Agree with the negative report. The development would create an entirely new and inappropriate gateway to Tenterden.

The present gateway is fields woodland and a few houses many of them invisible from the road. This new develoment will be a housing estate right in full view of the approach to this country town and will totally alter the character of St. Michael's and Tenterden for the worse. If this development goes ahead there will be no logical reason to prevent further ribbon development joining up St. Michael's with High Halden and even Biddenden, and destroying for ever the identity of these villages.

8.1 This stretch of the A28 is straight and traffic speeds are high. The entry of cars from the estate at slow speed into fast traffic will be a constant source of danger, particularly in poor visibility. There has been a recent change in speed restrictions on this stretch of road precisely because of the danger posed by the primary school, so close to the proposed new estate.

I oppose this development.

Yours sincerely,

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