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Dear Mr. McDowell

**Outline application for residential development for up to 120 dwellings including access (all other matters reserved)**

**Ref: DA/2015/0233**

I am writing to object to outline planning application DA/2015/0233 because the village infrastructure could not cope with a development in this location or of this size. I am particularly concerned about the issue of education.

Crick Primary School is almost at capacity and it will be by the time the current Barratt and DWH developments are completed. Crick is in the catchment area for Guilsborough School which will also be at capacity,

The proposed development is for 120 residential properties and will have a significant impact on children being able to attend school. It is not clear how the school could expand sufficiently on an already restricted site to meet the demands of new housing within a reasonable timescale.

Therefore, it is considered that Crick Primary School could not handle the intake from this development even if this was split over several years. As a result, two things could happen:

* Priority would be given to those closest to the school, so those children in other parts of Crick who have lived here all their lives (and possibly their parents and wider families) would not be able to go to their local school; or

Priority would be given to those with siblings already at the school, so those children

* on the proposed development would not be able to go to their local school;

Both of these scenarios would result in an increase in traffic as Primary school children could well end up being transported to schools outside of the village

Policy INF1 of the JCS requires developers to ensure that adequate ‘social infrastructure’ exists to support development. Where development generates a need for new infrastructure, developers are required to prove that capacity exists and can be delivered in an appropriate timescale.

Furthermore, section 72 of the NPPF makes clear the importance of ensuring that there are sufficient school places to service existing and future development.

As a result, the proposed development should be refused.

Yours sincerely

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Address: