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Dear Sir/Madam

## **Land at Hampers Lane**

I am preparing comments on behalf of a new client who has land within the Washington Boundary. I appreciate it is a rather late stage in the Neighbourhood Plan process and a number of sites have already be identified for housing. However we are currently submitting the land for assessment in the Horsham Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) and felt it was worth raising it in the Neighbourhood Plan consultation. Please find a site plan enclosed.

The site sits outside but adjoining the built up boundary, and land to the south which was submitted in the previous SHLAA has be found suitable for development in 11+ years. The land is currently vacant of any buildings and is scrubland with a number of shrubs but very little in the way of mature trees. It sits outside of the South Downs National Park boundary and is not restricted by any other major land designations. The site is surrounded by residential development and could provide further housing whist still maintaining some open space which could be landscaped to create a more usable recreation area for the public.

The site has an existing access from the track leading from Hampers Lane to 'Rosebay', however there is considerable road frontage onto Rock Road and Hampers Lane to create additional access points if required.

We believe the site would be a suitable extension to the settlement boundary for low density residential development. This would be compliant with the Neighbourhood Plan objective to ensure all new development is within or adjacent to the built up boundary (page 20 of the Draft Plan).

A layout plan has not been prepared at this stage, as the type and scale of the properties proposed would depend on the SHLAA assessment and the local need expressed through the plan making process.

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Should it be found that further development sites are required in the Neighbourhood Plan area, or that some current sites are found to be unsuitable or failing to deliver new units as planned, we would ask that our client's site is considered in future assessments.

If you have any questions, or require any further information please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

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