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Dear Mr. Bagshaw,

Planning application LW/21/0986

Railfuture is Britain's leading, longest-established, national independent voluntary organisation campaigning exclusively for a better railway across a bigger network for passenger and freight users, to support economic (housing and productivity) growth, environmental improvement and better-connected communities.

We seek to influence decision makers at local, regional and national levels to implement pro-rail policies in development and transport planning.

Railfuture wishes to register its objection to the application for outline planning permission on land east of Harrisons Lane, Ringmer for the demolition of an existing residential property and erection of up to 200 residential dwellings including affordable housing with the provision of vehicular access onto Harrisons Lane and pedestrian and cycle access onto Potato Lane.

The reasons for our objection are two-fold:

- ~ the proposed development is contrary to policy
- ~ the proposed development is not sustainable

To elaborate, the proposed development is contrary to established planning policies as the site is not allocated for residential development in the Lewes Local Plan or Ringmer Neighbourhood Plan. Furthermore, the proposal is contrary to sustainable development as it is predominantly car-based.

Yours sincerely,

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