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Dear Sirs

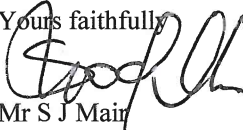
Proposed Development MUX1a

The Trustees of the William Barrow's Charity have considered the development proposals on land between Borden Lane and Chestnut Street, Borden, Sittingbourne and support the proposed development MUX1a at South West Sittingbourne, which includes land owned by the Charity. The development falls wholly within the Parochial Parish of Borden and residents of the proposed development will be eligible to apply for grants under the Charity's two foundations which supports education to students resident within the Parish and local schools, and residents within the Parish suffering hardship. The proposed development will place an additional substantial financial burden on the Charity and it is essential that any proceeds from this proposed development are invested to meet the increased demand on grants.

The Trustees believe that the inclusion of the Charity's land as part of the wider development will provide significant social, economic and environmental benefits. The proposed development scheme will enable the delivery of strategic transport benefits to the Parish of Borden and Sittingbourne, reducing traffic congestion and improving air quality for a significant number of residents. The provision of a new link road will alleviate and benefit the existing highways situation and create a new access onto the A249 which will generate transformational improvements on the A2, the A249, the local road network within the Parish of Borden, and the Key Street roundabout, which should have a hugely positive impact locally on residential amenity.

It is believed that the proposed development will also deliver much needed private and affordable housing in a high quality environment and in a sustainable location with links to public transport, local facilities and the town centre. It is further believed that the proposed development will assist the wider re-generation of Sittingbourne and offer significant local community benefits, including new medical facilities, shops, accessible park land and allotments, which will be available for new and existing residents. In addition, the provision of a new Primary School will offer significantly enhanced educational choice with appropriate levels of outdoor space to provide state of the art educational facilities for future generations within Borden and Sittingbourne.

The Trustees' decision to support the proposed development will assist them in meeting the objects of the Charity and ensures that funds can be generated to continue to support the existing and new local community within the Parochial Parish of Borden, together with local schools, as it has done during the last 310 years.

Yours faithfully

Mr S J Mair
Clerk to the Trustees