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Dear Clare,

**Application 15/00179 LAND AT FOXHILLS, ASHURST 11 NEW DWELLINGS (6 AFFORDABLE),
Outbuildings; Associated Access, Landscaping and Drainage; Park and Stride facility**

1. New Forest Association (NFA) objects to application 00179 and has previously submitted reasons.
2. In researching alternative solutions to the problems of school access and sites for affordable housing in Ashurst Village, I realised I had failed to refer to the Ashurst and Colbury VDS. I do so now from Chapter 5.
Farmland
*The farmland within the boundaries of Ashurst and Colbury Parish is valued by residents and provides an important area of open space. This is evident from questionnaire responses.
There is a desire to prevent the development of these green field areas. An example is Kneller's Lane, a thin strip of countryside which acts like a natural boundary between Ashurst and West Totton.*
3. This very specific reference demonstrates application 00179 is diametrically opposed to the VDS and if granted will significantly devalue the Supplementary Planning Document. Not just for Ashurst but for all those have taken the trouble to prepare such documents in the Forest. NFA submit the statement above and the associated questionnaire responses as part of its objection.

Yours sincerely,

Graham Baker, NFA Planning Committee