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10 January 2011

Attention Jill Durham
Democratic Services Manager
St Albans City and District Council
Civic Centre
St Albans
Herts
AL1 3JE

Dear Jill Durham

RE: Petition to the Council

I am writing on behalf of CLASH (Campaign by Locals Against Sewell Housing) which is a local community Action Group. CLASH has been formed following a groundswell of opposition to the potential development of Green Belt land located to the East of Harpenden Road (known as Sewell Park).

Please find attached papers containing signatures in support of CLASH's petition to the Council. We have undertaken the process in line with the document "The Council's Petition Scheme".

Signatures have been collected from members of CLASH (those who have expressed an interest in CLASH through our website as well as those taking an active role in the campaign) and from members of the public.

Those who have supported the Petition are urging Councillors to "stop land East of Harpenden Road (known as Sewell Park) from being allocated as a Strategic Housing Location by St Albans District Council (SADC)".

We are aware that the Council has recently put out for public consultation the following document as part of the process to adopt a Core Strategy: "*Shaping Our Community - Core Strategy: Proposed Strategy for Locating Future Development in the District*"

We believe that there are NO 'very special circumstances' in line with the requirements of PPG2 Green Belt or PPS 3 Housing, to justify the allocation of this land. Should this land be allocated then this gives rise to potential development which is the principle focus of public



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opposition. It is considered that this Land is a particularly unsuitable location in its own right, not least when compared to other proposed locations across the District, including Council owned, 'brown-field' and 'windfall' sites.

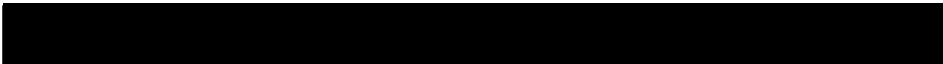
Should development for housing be allowed to take place on this Land, there is extreme public concern as regards the impact on local infrastructure and services, road congestion and road safety, all of which are ongoing topics of high debate amongst the community that have all been taken up by the local press and with which the Council will be familiar.

We, therefore, request an agenda item on the forthcoming full meeting of Council so that our representative has the opportunity to address Councillors with our concerns on behalf of those supporting the Petition.

Yours sincerely



Mark Carrington
Chair
CLASH



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PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF GREEN BELT LAND EAST OF HARPENDEN ROAD, ST ALBANS

For the attention of: Councillor Chris Brazier

Petition Organiser: CLASH (Campaign for Locals Against Sewell Housing) [REDACTED]

We, the undersigned, oppose the allocation of land east of Harpenden Road, St Albans, as a strategic housing allocation by St Albans District Council

Please read accompanying letter

Name	Address	Signature
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]