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Dear Sirs

Re The Apple Store, Warren Farm, Swillers Lane, Gravesend, DA12 3ED
Application for determination as to whether prior approval is required
for the proposed change of use of the agricultural barn to a dwelling
with associated building operations under Class Q(a) and (b) of the
Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England)
Order 2015, as amended.

We refer to the above planning application, your reference GR/2021/1422 and would make the following comment.

The Society would wish to object to this application on the grounds that the site is in an area within which Green Belt Policies apply. In the Society's view the prior approval procedure is not appropriate in this case.

In the Society's view the building is not suitable for conversion. The Society also notes that if the building is lost from its present use it is likely to generate a demand for further development on the site, which would in turn impact on the openness of the Green Belt. We also note that a similar application made under ref. GR/2017/1312 was refused.

Yours faithfully

Mrs P A Lippiatt
Hon. Secretary