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5th December 2023

Dear Mrs A Cue,

Re Chalk Pit Cottages Green Farm Lane Shorne Gravesend Kent.
Erection of a new dwellinghouse.
Planning Application **GR/2023/1171**

Thank you for your consultation letter of 20th November 2023 concerning the above planning application.

The Society would wish to register an objection to the application.

The site is on the west side of Green Farm Lane where there was a chalk pit from which the cottages get their name. Green Belt Policies apply in this area, where new residential development would not normally be permitted. In the Society's view no very special circumstances have been put forward that would warrant overriding Green Belt policy. Development of the site would impact on the openness of the green belt through making a continuous ribbon of development, which is not usual in the area.

This is a relatively open and remote area, and the Society does not consider this could be regarded as an infill site as it is outside the confines of any settlement.

The Society would point out that part of this site is made ground. The former chalk pit has been filled and levelled to match the adjoining land. Building could be difficult since the site contains a number of buried items, and the ground is unstable.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs P A Lippiatt
Hon. Secretary