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Dear Mr Wyatt

**Re: Planning Application P/17/0189/FP by BST Warehouses Ltd
Sawmill Industrial Park, Wickham Road, Fareham, PO17 5BT**

On behalf of the Wickham Society, we write to object to the above planning application for a number of reasons:

- The Sawmill Industrial Park has been included within the perimeters of the Welborne development and thus included within the outline planning application currently under your review from Buckland Developments Ltd. It is thus premature of BST Warehouse Ltd to submit a detailed planning application at this stage.
- The development of Welborne as a garden village will require significant consideration of the character and design of the housing and ideally it will be built in such a way that it endeavours to promote a rural feel within its environment. We do not believe that the proposed design and density of housing with the above planning application will achieve this outcome, and would be horrified if this was to be the basis on which Welborne is to be developed.
- The proposed entry and exit to and from the development will be just beyond the brow of the hill on a bend on the A32 when travelling from Wickham to Fareham, and as a consequence is a more dangerous place for such a facility. For many years residents on Hoads Hill have pressed Hampshire Highways to reduce the speed limit to 40 miles per hour following a number of accidents, including a fatality, on this section of the road. The basis of the road layout proposed within the above planning application is that the speed limit is reduced to 40 mph. We believe this should be a condition of any development on this site.

We cannot emphasize enough how disappointed many residents in Wickham would feel if this development was to proceed as currently put forward within the above planning application. It would give us no confidence about the future development of Welborne and the commitment of planning authorities to ensure that it is thought through and developed as one complete entity - rather than piecemeal pockets of housing – so that it becomes a cohesive community environment.

Yours sincerely

Brian Barrett
Chairman of the Wickham Society

Chris Hoare
Vice Chairman