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Dear Sirs

I refer to your letter to interested parties dated 28th April seeking comments on the Publication version of the DPD.

I have been appointed on behalf of a group of residents of Read and Simonstone - the Hammond Ground Residents' Group - to provide comments on their behalf. I am a resident at 22 George Lane, Read and a member of the Group. This e mail is in place of the individual comments made by some residents (including myself) in relation to the earlier Regulation 18 Consultation. It was noted in your report to Committee on this Consultation that there was some implied criticism that a number of residents had written in similar forms. This is therefore a joint response.

As you will be aware the Hammond Ground Residents Group was set up to respond to the failed planning applications numbered 3/2016/0421 and 3/2016/1192 but it also takes an interest in wider planning issues for Read and Simonstone.

The Group Members/Residents fully support and welcome the settlement boundary proposal that Hammond Ground remains outside the boundary. They also welcome and support the rejection of Hammond Ground (and other residential sites put forward in Read and Simonstone) as suitable for land allocation under the Consultation.

It should be noted that in relation to Hammond Ground there has been and remains very widespread objection by local residents across Read and Simonstone to its development. In the most recent application 3/2016/1192 there were 170 letters/e mails of objection and a petition with over 400 signatures opposing development lodged with the Planning Department. That can be taken as objective evidence of widespread local support for the Consultation proposals in so far as they relate to Hammond Ground.

On a general note the Group was disappointed to see that in the report to Committee on the Consultation it was stated that despite our meeting on the subject last autumn the request for special designation of Hammond Ground was not to be taken forward. We would welcome the opportunity to further discuss this issue with you at the appropriate time.

Yours faithfully

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On behalf of the Hammond Ground Residents' Group