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Subject: 40B development at Shingle Place Hill

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Dear chairperson,

My name is Seamus Conlon. I'm 22 and I have lived in Manchester my whole life.

I'm writing to you to ask you to please oppose the development project that is slated to take place on upper school street.

Growing up in this town, it helps to have green spaces. When I was younger, my friends and I would play in the woods. We would try to look for species of frogs and salamanders along the edges of vernal ponds. Luckily, Manchester is blessed with exceptional stretches of wetland as well as dense forests. These have been a solace for me as well as my family and others in town.

It's clear that the 40B project on the shingle place hill lot will endanger those blessings. A sprawling residential complex will obviously effect the flow of water and wildlife to the neighboring wetlands and woods.

I understand that the town needs affordable housing. Everyone understands you're under pressure. However, waiving environmental bylaws is not the way to fulfill that need.

The community would be better served if those units were more integrated into the town itself.

Please do not allow this development to go forward. It's not what the town needs.

Regards,

Seamus Conlon