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Subject: Shingle Place Hill Project

Good day -

As Essex residents with three grandchildren living in Manchester, we want to protect all the preserved lands that so many of us cherish and use. This land places us in nature, sustains wildlife, is alive with birdsong, enables children to make wonderful discoveries, and helps adults feel calm after a busy day. During the worst of the pandemic, a walk in the surrounding woods lifted the spirits of so many.

These forested acres are too valuable to the health of our communities to clear-cut portions of them and then erect a looming development that will forever change the Manchester Essex Conservation Area visually and environmentally.

Shingle Place Hill is the WRONG location for this large development.

We strongly believe in the need for affordable housing, but not at the expense of what's been so carefully preserved by the generations before us. Simply put, Shingle Place Hill is too important to be sacrificed.

We ask you NOT to support it in any way and to use all the power of the law to prevent it.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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