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Home Address

Dear Sir or Madam

RE: Planning Application 02434/17 – 300 dwellings, Land off Victoria Road, Horwich

I am writing to you to object to **Planning Application 02434/17 – 300 dwellings, Land off Victoria Road, Horwich**. The grounds under which I make my objections to the application are numerous and are listed below.

- **Overdevelopment:** A further 300 houses extra to the 2000 houses approved in the previous few years.
- **Roads:** Our already congested roads will become gridlocked with a further 3000 vehicles
- **Access:** The site will be accessed via the estate roads of Bond Close, Mayfair and the already congested Victoria Road.
- **Public Transport:** There are no proposals to link buses to the train network and relieve the already congested car park at Horwich Parkway.
- **Jobs:** No new local jobs are being created, thus there will be more commuting by car, magnifying the traffic problem.
- **Education:** Currently there are not enough Primary or Secondary school places to cater for the increase in population. This will lead to further school runs along our congested roads, compromising road safety.
- **Health:** There are not enough Doctors or Dentists to cope with an extra 5000 residents and the ensuing congestion will also prevent access in rush hour for all the emergency services.
- **Flooding:** Horwich currently suffers from flooding after heavy rain and this will only be exacerbated by this further development.
- **Hospital:** Royal Bolton Hospital is already running at full capacity and there are no provisions to cater for extra cases due to overdevelopment in the area.
- **Environment:** Consider the extra Air and Noise Pollution, the flood risks, waste water problems, loss of amenities for recreation - wild life and open spaces. All will suffer as a consequence of this development.
- **Protected Open Land:** This area of land should be retained as it provides an important area for recreation and provides an important green corridor for wildlife in the town.

I support the local community groups such as Stocks Residents Association and Grundy Hill Residents Association in their objection to the application.

I feel that the application goes against local and national policies and should be refused on these grounds alone. Also, the proposal is not compatible with the character and appearance of the area, would jeopardise highway safety, would result in the unacceptable loss of green space, and would unduly harm the amenity of neighbouring residents.

Given the arguments presented above, I strongly object to the applicants' proposals and implore the Council to reject the application.

Yours faithfully