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Dear Carol:

SUBJECT: 12/00052/CONA/AS-FORMER CHILHAM SAW MILLS, ASHFORD ROAD, CHILHAM

Chilham Parish Council (CPC) wishes to object in the strongest possible terms against this planning application by Stour Valley Estates in respect of its delivery of the scheme agreed by ABC in August 2012.

The parish council believes that the original Sawmills and Station Approach applications are intrinsically linked. In submitting this recent application, wherein it proposes to charge parishioners for car parking facilities, the developer is reneging on the original agreed application. In so doing, the developer is breaking a commitment given to the people of Chilham parish that it would provide free car parking at the site in perpetuity.

Specifically, CPC :-

- a) strongly objects to the imposition of any parking charges in respect of this car park and supports the original ABC agreement regarding free parking.
- b) strongly objects to the management or administration charges and / or fees (as this is in conflict with the s106 agreement).
- c) parking spaces should be available to residents of Chilham parish and not just to those living in the village of Chilham.

Sincerely,

Roy Lincoln  
Parish Council Chair

Derrick Kennett  
Parish Council Vice-chair