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## Waldringfield Parish Council Comments on planning application DC/24/4345/ARM

Approval of Reserved Matters of DC/17/1435/OUT - Outline planning application for up to 2000 dwellings, an employment area of c0.6ha (use Class B1), primary local centre (comprising use Classes A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, B1, C3, D1 and D2), secondary centre (comprising possible use Classes A1, A3 and A4), a school, green infrastructure (including Suitable Accessible Natural Greenspace (SANGs), outdoor play areas, sports ground and allotments/community orchards), public footpaths and cycleways, vehicle accesses and associated infrastructure - Construction of 69 homes (including 17 affordable homes) garage, parking, surface water drainage basin, internal access roads, landscaping and associated infrastructure (W5). This includes details submitted in compliance with conditions 8, 11, 14, 30 and 43 and details submitted to formally discharge conditions 23, 24, 25, 26, 28(a), 41, 48 and 61 of DC/20/1234/VOC - Land South And East Of, Adastral Park, Martlesham Heath, Martlesham, Suffolk

Planning Officer – D Miller; Deadline 30 June 2025

WPC appreciates the amendments made to the planting detail. We still have concerns regarding the suitability of some of the planting choices but feel that this could be overcome by condition – e.g.

"Any new or retained trees, hedging or plants that die are removed, and any that become severely damaged or diseased within five years of planting shall be replaced by the developer in the same or following planting season. Replacement planting shall be in accordance with the approved details (unless the Local Planning Authority gives its consent to any variation."

We still have concerns about the design of the SUDs. Given the gradient of the slopes and the fact there could be 300mm of water at the bottom of the slope we consider that this presents a serious safety issue for small children. Children racing down the slopes could very easily tumble and fall into the water and be at risk of drowning (it only takes a couple of inches).

We would suggest very strongly that these areas should have a barrier, perhaps in the form of picket fencing or similar, around them to help prevent such an accident. We do not think that this would have a negative impact on the visual amenity.

Subject to the above measures WPC does **NOT OBJECT** to this application.