OBJECTION TO THE DECISION TO GRANT OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION FOR A RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT WOODTHORPE

We, the undersigned, deplore the decision to grant planning permission for up to 75 dwellings in the strategic gap to the west of Woodthorpe on land at Cranleigh Road (Planning Application No. CHE/14/00872/OUT). The decision over-ruled objections from the residents of Woodthorpe and Mastin Moor, from Staveley Town Council and from Derbyshire County Council.

We call upon the Council to reverse this decision.

We call upon the Council to ensure that in future a representative of every Ward in the Borough has a seat on the Planning Committee.

We call upon future Planning Committee members to respect the knowledge and aspirations of local people in all future planning decisions and not to rely on officer advice without having fully explored and verified the facts for themselves.

We call upon the Council to never again break its promises to put local communities first and to protect special local landscapes.

We call upon the Council to start taking seriously the threat that proposals for HS2 Phase 2 pose to local people and local living conditions and to never again put new households in harm's way without full knowledge of all the relevant facts.