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Dear Nicholas Coombes,

Thank you for agreeing to and attending the site visit, which took place at my property on 16th July 2015. From the raised viewpoint of the upstairs window the team assembled were able to oversee the projected layout of the scheme with regard to how it would affect my property and also, more generally, the western side of Brampton village.

It was brought to my attention that morning that 750 new houses would be constructed on the RAF Brampton site at that side of the village rather than the 500 previously suggested. Typically, these houses will be occupied by young families whose children in particular will be vulnerable to the health hazards caused by dramatically increased levels of pollution caused by vehicle emissions from the nearby proposed multi lane road project, a substantial part of which will be in the form of an elevated highway.

This is of course in addition to an existing densely populated residential area, slightly further north, at West End Brampton. Again this area is comprised of young families, the children of which form the majority intake of Brampton Primary School. As discussed, the effects of road pollution will be exacerbated by the prevailing westerly and southwesterly winds. It is important to note that current medical and environmental research (as referred to in my earlier representation) evidences that lung damage in the young from exposure to road pollution is often permanent.

On a more personal note I was disappointed to learn just prior to the site meeting that in the professional opinion of a well established local

estate agency (who had carried out a valuation of the property without regard to the proposed road scheme) the property now carried only 50% of its original value due to the possibility of the scheme now going ahead. They also confirmed that the sale of the property would prove extremely difficult in the foreseeable future. Relevant documents can of course be provided to verify this.

As confirmed to all those present at the site visit I am currently at an age where some critical decisions have to be made with regard to my future. If the sale of the house is an option that I am unlikely to have in the near future then the alternative - as detailed in my previous written representation - a minimum of four years (comprising six day working weeks 8am -6pm) residing in close proximity to heavy construction, for example, the excavation and removal of two million tons of earth and gravel etc. and the unavoidable plant traffic that will be necessary to carry out this and other major works, then it was apparent to all those at the site visit that my quality of life and enjoyment of the property I have owned and lived in for over thirty years will be severely compromised. Already, life choices that I had before the road scheme became a serious proposition are now no longer available to me. It should be noted that one member of the visiting party was prompted to ensure that a regular dialogue with the Planning Inspectorate/Highways England etc. was thoroughly pursued and I trust that given the very difficult situation I now find myself in that this will be the case.

Furthermore after completion of the works it seemed clear from the site visit vantage point that I am likely to experience high levels of pollution and noise (again as detailed in previous representations) that will permanently and adversely effect my enjoyment of the property and my quality of life. Naturally I am concerned about the inevitable detriment to my health if relocation were not a choice available to me in my remaining years.

Yours sincerely

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