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Subject: Shingle Hill

As a citizen of Manchester for over thirty years, I wish to express my opposition to the proposed Shingle Hill development.

This development will have a severe, detrimental effect on the location itself and the surrounding environment. Seven acres of forest land, which produces and holds carbon dioxide, will be disrupted beyond repair. Drinking water and the wider watershed will be affected in many ways, including thermal pollution that harms vernal pool populations.

This is not merely a local problem. As I write, we are enduring extreme, record-breaking temperatures, both here and abroad. Europe and the western US are ablaze with wildfires. For anyone to deny the detrimental effects of global warming is almost unbelievable, and that global warming is caused, in part, by overdevelopment such as this. Not every green space should be seen as fodder for development.

Please protect this space and, by extension, the general well-being of the community.

Thank you.

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