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Dear Sirs,

## Affordable Housing Mix at Saffron Playing Fields, Saffron Walden

I write regarding the proposed development by Chase New Homes at Saffron Playing Fields, Saffron Walden. B3Living are a preferred partner of Uttlesford DC who actively develop and acquire affordable housing in this Local Authority area and will be the Housing Association delivering and managing the affordable homes on this site.

Chase New Homes have proactively consulted with B3Living throughout their design of this site and incorporated our comments. This engagement has enabled us to provide feedback into the location and distribution of the affordable homes across the site, alongside guidance on the optimum affordable housing mix, in line with local policies.

As a Housing Association, our preference is to have homes co-located in clusters rather than pepper-potted throughout a site. This helps us to manage and maintain our homes more efficiently and effectively from a housing management perspective, enabling us to provide a better service for our customers, better ability to monitor antisocial behaviour and prevent complaints. Furthermore, there is an additional benefit through fewer land transfers enabling a smoother and more economic legal process.

B3Living support this development and are committed to working with Chase New Homes to provide the much-needed affordable housing on this site and to make a positive impact in Uttlesford DC, with whom we enjoy an excellent working relationship.

I trust the above is satisfactory, but should you have any queries regarding this letter



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Kind regards,

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