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Development Management

North Hertfordshire District Council

PO Box 7075, Manchester, M28 8JX

For the attention of: William Thompson, Planning Officer

Date: 28/8/26

Dear Planning Officer,

Re: PP-15066993 – Units 1–5, Rear of 93–98 Bancroft, Hitchin

I object to the above planning application.

I am a patient/customer of CareRx Pharmacy at these premises and rely upon the pharmacy for my NHS prescriptions and pharmaceutical services.

I understand that the proposed development would substantially alter and subdivide the premises from which the pharmacy currently operates.

I am concerned that this could disrupt or displace an established NHS community pharmacy serving more than 7,000 patients.

For me personally, this pharmacy is important because

- 1) It is near to Sainsbury's where I shop regularly.
- 2) It handles my repeat prescriptions very efficiently.
- 3) I also have vaccinations there.
- 4) Since CareRx took over the pharmacy it has turned the business around - it is now running well with my GP & me.
- 5) The staff are friendly & helpful.
- 6) Hitchin cannot afford to lose a pharmacy; they work hard giving a great service for very low profit.

I ask the Council to consider the effect of the proposal upon continued access to NHS pharmaceutical services and not to determine the application until it is satisfied that these services can continue without unacceptable interruption.

Please record my objection as a formal planning representation.

Yours faithfully,

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