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CAMPAIGNERS TO VISIT HORKESLEY PARK EXHIBITION

Members of the Stour Valley Action Group will be attending Bunting and Sons' promotional exhibition for the projected 'Horkesley Park Heritage and Conservation Centre' at Colchester Town Hall next Thursday, 10th May.

The exhibition is designed to publicise the Horkesley Park project prior to submission of a new Planning Application to Colchester Borough Council. (The last Application was withdrawn in March 2006, very shortly before it was due for consideration.) Buntings state that the exhibition will also take the form of a 'public consultation'. SVAG was founded in 2001 specifically to campaign against Horkesley Park, drawing the majority of its 700 members from residents of Stour Valley villages who believe that the development threatens to destroy their communities and their landscape. It is now 2007 and these local residents have yet to see Bunting and Sons conduct any public consultation that takes into account their views on the future of their villages, and of the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty in which they consider themselves privileged to live and for the conservation of which they feel a shared responsibility.

SVAG would like to invite members of the press to join them when they view the new exhibition on 10th May. Spokespersons from SVAG, from Nayland and Wissington Conservation Society, and from other interested local bodies will be available for comment between 10.30 a.m. and 12 noon. It is hoped that this will provide an opportunity for a wider public airing of the full implications of Bunting and Sons' proposed development.

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