

I am writing as a resident of Brimpton for these last 7 years a note of support for the planning application to develop a restaurant and farm shop at Shalford Farm.

We live on the adjacent farm Stockwell Farm on Brimpton Lane and as an owner of a small business in these very changing times we would support and encourage the Wasing Estate to Create employment in the area and provide a point of purchase for healthy and local food and beverages. As we see people moving from working in cities to home working it is essential for rural communities to be able to flex and adjust to these changing times, the countryside cannot just be reserved for long term residents to walk their dogs, it has to grow and become a part of a dynamic and changing future.

The Shalford farm shop delivers employment, encourages healthy eating, supports local producers, enables local residents an alternative to German discounters and Sainsbury's. We have to support carefully crafted rural hubs which I am confident this will be and for this reason we feel strongly that this proposal Is a vital and sustainable proposal for the residents of Brimpton, Wasing and Aldermaston.

Yours sincerely

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