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Dear Mr Haywood

Planning application HPK/2018/0315

Following on from my email to you of 22nd into which I had copied some historical notes on Harpur Hill that I had sent to Persimmon, including about naming of roads, I wrote to the Royal Mail, being under the impression that it was responsible for road naming. They have replied and told me that the responsibility lies with the developer and the local authority so I have written to Sean McBride at Persimmon, with a copy to Hannah Wild, to formally ask that my idea for road naming be considered as I believe it would help make a link between people on the new estate and those on the old one (the reasoning I gave is below, in italics). I should therefore be grateful if you would forward this letter to the person within HPBC who is responsible for road naming.

The old High Peak College campus and much of its surrounding housing was originally an RAF estate servicing the bomb stores hidden in tunnels in a nearby quarry. This is why some of the roads hereabouts carry the names of RAF personnel (Harris, Nettleton, Tedder, Trenchard). All of the RAF site was sold off in the mid 1960s, the RAF administrative buildings and their environs becoming the High Peak College campus. The RAF housing for its service personnel was also sold off, this being on Harris Road, Tedder Avenue, Nettleton Lane and Trenchard Drive.

With:

- *2018 being the 100th anniversary of the creation of the Royal Air Force;*
- *the proposed new housing to be built on what was a key section of an RAF estate;*
- *nearby roads already being named in honour of famous air force personnel (Harris, Tedder, Nettleton, Trenchard);*

it would seem fitting that new roads in the development be named after respected RAF personnel / places / aircraft rather than having names "themed" in a less connected way and hope that it will prove possible to do this.

Yours sincerely

Lionel Buteux