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Dear Parents and Carers

Please help our local MP Simon Clarke fight for £750,000 promised to Chandlers Ridge Academy

In 2012 our school was a named beneficiary on a Section 106 Agreement relating to the Grey Towers Farm development on Dixons Bank in Nunthorpe. A Section 106 agreement is money that is promised by a developer to mitigate the impact of their development on the local community. £750,000 was the amount promised to Chandlers Ridge Academy.

Over the past two years we have been trying to clarify the position on the agreement with Middlesbrough Council to no avail. It now appears that the Council wish to repurpose the money initially promised to Chandlers Ridge for use across all schools in Middlesbrough. We have involved our local MP, Simon Clarke who has issued a press release today calling for the Council to rethink. He is asking Nunthorpe residents to help him obtain as many signatures as possible in a resident's petition.

We hope that you will support the school and Simon Clarke in fighting for what is ours and our children's. Chandlers Ridge receives one of the lowest amounts of funding per child in the whole of Middlesbrough as we are in an area of relative low deprivation. We have very little to fund school improvements and have done all we can to improve our dining hall and classrooms with the little money we have and the support of our Friends. We were hugely excited by this promised funding and what it could allow us to deliver for our pupils - we would love to see better outdoor play facilities, a bigger nursery and improved classroom facilities for all. We are bitterly disappointed by the Council's decision and really hope that we can count on your support to get the Council to change its mind.

If local people are willing to help sign and distribute a petition among friends and neighbours so we can make clear the strength of opposition to the Council's proposals, please can they get in touch by emailing simonclarkecasework@gmail.com.

Yours sincerely

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Head Teacher

