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To the Inspector,

Dear sir,

I wish to register my strong opposition to this application to build 130 Houses on Land South Of Henham Road Elsenham.

Elsenham has seen a stream of "ribbon" developments over recent years roughly doubling the size of the village and seriously diminishing its location "in the countryside".

These developments have not brought any improvement in local infrastructure, and indeed now already overload the inadequate road system around the Parish of Elsenham and the adjoining Parishes of Stansted and Henham.

This situation is irreversibly destined to deteriorate with the already approved but yet not built 450 houses in Elsenham Parish.

Further unrealistic pressure on the inadequate local roads is inevitable if this proposal is allowed in addition to those already approved.

Developers make great play on their efforts to produce "sustainable" developments not relying on the private motor car as a primary method of transport.

Frankly in and around Elsenham that is a complete farce. Every house built will put a minimum of one more vehicle on the local roads, and in many cases two more vehicles as this is the only realistic way to travel any distance for any purpose.

To fully comprehend the disastrous effect this will have on existing residents mobility you would need to spend some hours observing initially Elsenham High Street at school drop off or pick up time, particularly in winter months in the rain. Secondly you would need to spend a few rush hours observing the chaos around the Grove Hill single lane traffic light system in Stansted Mountfitchet a principle route to and from this proposed development.

The lack of any adequate retail facilities and an existing excellent NHS surgery that is destined to be overwhelmed by new patient registrations will add to the discontent of new residents when they realise they cannot get anything or do anything without a car journey the cost of which some will find prohibitive.

The number of groups of teens/youths seen wandering the streets of Elsenham in the evenings because of the lack of any suitable leisure facilities is already concerning, and there is already an established issue with drugs in the village recognised by the local constabulary.

Elsenham is a village not a town and developers should be encouraged to seek more suitable sites with the correct level of infrastructure to support their proposals.

Please refuse this application.

Your faithfully

Peter Franklin

