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Good evening,

It is with great sadness that yet again here we are attempting to hold back yet another tsunami of proposed housing development between Henham and Elsenham.

I have lived in Henham since 1972 and although moved away in the early '80's, returned in the early '90's because this is where I wanted to raise my family. Now semi-retired, I still wish to be here. Since the 1970's I have observed very little in the way new roads, footpaths, cycling tracks, Doctors surgeries, schools etc. i.e. the normal infrastructure that should go hand in hand with any new development. The roads are in a disgraceful condition - I have come across better ones in developing countries. They are not fit for purpose now let alone once the proposed dwellings have been built. The residents of Henham and nearby localities deserve better than this.

My main concerns and objections to the proposed development are:

1. The roads in the immediate locality. The bottlenecks in Stansted is of particular concern.
2. Emergency services - how are they to gain fast access to any properties with the current poor condition and narrowness of the roads not fit for purpose.
3. Midwifery services - we are all aware how short staffed the midwifery service is. With more housing, there will be more young families requiring good midwifery services. Staff shortages lead to short cuts, high stress levels and unfortunately babies being damaged at birth. The cost to NHS Resolution and ultimately the tax payer is enormous, let alone the impact on the individual families.
4. Henham and Elsenham are lucky to have a couple of small shops, a post office and a take away but for most shopping needs, travelling to Bishops Stortford or Saffron Walden is essential. The bus service to Bishops Stortford is satisfactory but not to Saffron Walden. The families moving into the new properties are likely to have at least one car, probably two. This will cause yet more congestion on our already overpopulated roads.

It would be appreciated if the above points could be considered. Although worn down by constantly having to oppose these developments, the residents of Henham will carry on fighting. It is not just that we want to protect what we have but for any changes to be properly thought through and managed properly.

Thank you for taking the time to read this email.

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