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We refer to the above application, and strongly object to this further piecemeal development, for the following reasons:

Although we are Henham residents, we use the road system around Elsenham for access to
major towns in the area. This network of roads is poorly maintained, too narrow in places to
accommodate lorries, suffers from lack of pedestrian footpaths, and totally inappropriate for
the huge volumes of traffic that increasingly use the area.

PLEASE **VISIT** ELSENHAM AND STANSTED TO APPRECIATE THE RESIDENTS CONCERN ABOUT THIS CREEPING DESTRUCTION OF THE COUNTRYSIDE.

- We do not comprehend how the Secretary of State refused 800 dwellings on this same land in 2016, because of unsustainability and excess traffic, and yet this latest application of 200 houses, when added to the existing construction of 350 houses, would mean a total of 550 houses being allowed. How is that possible when the same government is in power?
- There is **only 1 new access** to this potentialy huge housing estate, and it is almost certain that over 90% of residents would turn right out of the exit to find employment, thereby adding to the already congested 2 routes available to them. A possible further exit to the A11 would mean heavy volumes passing through a housing estate to Ugley Green, where the road has a number of very tight bends, causing traffic to slow down to walking speed.
- There is only 1 school in Elsenham and it is full. If another is proposed on the site, **who will pay for its construction?**. Probably not the developers, so that means the District Council, who are already under scrutiny for financial mismanagement.
- The provision of public transport is limited to an hourly bus service to Bishops Stortford, which does not run late into the evenings. Its only other destination is Stansted airport. Consequently,we are faced with the ghastly likelihood of traffic congestion severely outweighing the benefits of a country life.

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE REJECTED.

Peter and Sheena Ward Henham