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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing in order to object to the planning application for 200 additional houses on the site referenced above and will set out the reasons for my objection below.

I believe that the Secretary of State refused planning permission for a large development of this nature in 2016 as it was considered unsustainable. That position was supported by the inspector of traffic issues who noted the significant volumes of additional traffic this would bring to tiny local villages given that employment and services are considerable distances away necessitating the use of cars.

The number of homes that have since been built or for which planning application is being sought now exceeds the number thought to be unsustainable in 2016 this position has not changed.

Local roads are very narrow, unlit and have numerous bottle necks which already turn what should be a 10 minute journey into a 30 minute journey. If this is the case prior to the 350 houses on the Bloor site being built, how will residents, new or old be able to use roads when another 550 homes are built? I would suggest that any traffic surveys already undertaken by the developer have not fully captured the issues. Grove Hill, Lower Street and Chapel Hill are particularly bad.

I work in the NHS and it is abundantly clear even to those who do not that local resources are already unable to cope with demand. A 57% increase on that already planned increases risk to residents not to mention the additional demand on social care services which are in a worse situation capacity wise compared to health services.

Local Primary schools are full already and cannot accept more children.

Anyone who travels into London on the train on a daily basis will know that there is not capacity for the additional commuters another 200 houses will bring even though this is probably being suggested as an alternative to the unsustainable traffic situation.

In addition the proposed site is on the two highest grades of agricultural land. In a time of

supply chain insecurity and the resulting need for increased reliance on UK production, surely this too is unsustainable.

Henham and Elsenham are small villages which residents have chosen to live in because of their rural nature and feeling of community. Massive developments such as this change the very nature of these villages which, once lost can never be recaptured. This does not even seem to be considered.

The only advantages that are apparent relating to this application would appear to be for the developers themselves.

My view is that this is an unacceptable development in a location which is entirely unsuited for it.

Thank you for taking my views into consideration.

Yours faithfully,

Lisa Fuller