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**To:** Section 62A Applications <section62a@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** S62A/2022/0012 Land east of Station, Elsenham

To whom it may concern,

I write to object to the proposed development of the land to the east of the station in Elsenham where I have been resident at [REDACTED] in the Parish of Henham since 1995.

Further to the valid points made by Henham Parish Council with regard to the Secretary of State already having refused a proposal for 800 homes on the grounds of sustainability, the school being at capacity and the lack of public transport et al, my overriding concern as a regular commuter is the traffic.

My family and I use the road to travel to the station and Stansted, to shop in Saffron Walden and Bishop's Stortford and to visit relatives several times a day, and the traffic situation is already quite shocking, particularly around Grove Hill & Chapel Hill. I have often missed a train due to the traffic situation.

To add to this, during the times that Hall Road has been closed during the past 2 years, Elsenham residents and others trying to get to the airport or M11 have refused to follow diversions and used the single country lane at Pledgdon Green, Broxted, as a cut through. Not only has this caused major damage to the road and verges, but made it hazardous for walking and riding, which we do on a daily basis. Likewise, crossing the road by Pledgdon Hall has become more dangerous with the increased traffic and higher speeds.

Also, the loss of more Grade1 and 2 agricultural land at a time when we should be producing as much local home grown food as possible is non-sensical and confusing.

In summary, the application is completely unacceptable, being a promiscuous development opportunity in an unsuitable location with already severe traffic problems!

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