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Sent: 22 November 2022 09:03
To: Section 62A Applications <section62a@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>
Subject: Planning ref S62A/2022/0012 Land east of Station, Elsenham

Dear Sirs

I am writing to object to the application for 200 houses to be built between Henham and Elsenham.

My reason is that the transport infrastructure and amenities in the local area are already stretched beyond capacity.

Previous government inspectors determined that 800 dwellings are not sustainable, but piecemeal developments already allowed, or applied for, could create more than 1000 dwellings. If this development is allowed the total will exceed the number that the Secretary of State considered unsustainable.

Local people daily experience a totally different situation on the roads around Elsenham and Stansted than that modelled in the Transport assessments. The situation at Grove Hill, Lower street and Chapel Hill is already completely unacceptable with extensive queues and delays. The rural roads through Ugley, Ugley Green suffer from poor highway alignment, have no footpaths or street lighting and cannot satisfactorily accommodate further growth.

The range of facilities in Elsenham is limited and insufficient to meet the daily needs of the proposed development and beyond walking distance for most residents. Residents of Elsenham and Henham tend to travel to Bishop Stortford and Saffron Walden to shop.

The Developer states that Elsenham has excellent public transport facilities. The buses are limited and residents need to use a car for most activities.

The site is Grade 1 and Grade 2 agriculture land. It would be very wrong to lose productive agriculture land.

The primary school in Elsenham is already full.

Yours faithfully

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