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Sent: 17 January 2023 06:01  
To: Section 62A Applications <section62a@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>  
Subject: S62A/2022/0014 Land west of Thaxted Road, Saffron Walden

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to record my objections to the above Planning Application. I myself have lived in the area for the last 46 years and during this time I have seen the town develop massively with housing but the facilities in the area for health and sports have remained the same. These types of facilities are important for our wellbeing and the future of the area.

The towns sports facilities have actually been REDUCED - quite significantly, In football terms, we have permanently lost football pitches at Bell College - replaced by a small and very low quality pitch at Crabtrees which is not fit for purpose.

"Ridgeons" where a pitch was built upon and has been replaced by nothing at all, despite objections from Sport England and ourselves.

Friends (Walden) School where multiple pitches, used by ourselves, Saffron Walden Rugby Club and several others have been lost, with no replacement.

The potential addition of so many new homes in this application is simply a step too far

This cannot go on any longer - we need more facilities of the correct quality, and we need them BEFORE any new development is consented

Regards  
Neil Harrop