

S62A Planning Application Number: S62A/2023/0017

Address: Land At Tilekiln Green Start Hill Great Hallingbury CM22 7TA. Creation of an open logistics facility with associated new access and ancillary office with amenity facilities

Case Officer: Major Casework Team

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I object to this applicant for the following reasons :-

1. The B1256 (the road I assume a good number of the proposed lorries will come from) is not suitable for the huge increase in HGV traffic that this development would create (in the region of 500 vehicles movements a day in their own words) and would further negatively affect the many local communities - which have already greatly suffered from developments over the past years.
2. Great Halingbury village road is not designed to take volumes of vehicles each day, already used as a short cut, it is often difficult to actually get onto Church Road from any of the side roads/drives, without increased traffic. I suspect that whilst the largest lorries will not access the bridge at Flitch Way there will be a good number of smaller HGV's and vans that are capable of doing so and will do so, especially if the motorway and/or roundabout is out of action for whatever reason.
3. Pedestrians and other none vehicles users are at risk every time they use the road which has very little pavement (in fact the only pavement through the entire village is between the church and The Grove which is about one mile) – as it stands without any additional traffic being encouraged through the village
4. The roundabout at the M11 is congested enough at the best of times without adding further traffic. On a weekly basis it is congested already without additional heavy vehicles adding to the chaos.
5. My understanding is that 24/7 access is required – which in itself gives rise to much increased noise pollution from constantly reversing vehicles and the alarm sensors fitted to most, doors banging etc. I can hear the constant noise from the M11 from my house – this proposed site is no further away and I have little doubt I will hear that too. Goodness only knows how much additional noise it will bring to the properties in the immediate vicinity. This is without the additional issues raised by light pollution, artificial lights which I have no doubt would be used etc.
6. The soak away and drainage systems in the area are already insufficient, that area is prone to flooding as it stands. I cannot see that this will cause further issues.
7. The village of Great Hallingbury is a conservation area. Irreparable damage was caused to wildlife when the area was cleared over a Bank Holiday in August 2019 and the site itself is within the CPZ.

All in all, whilst there may be a need for a new site, a residential area should certainly not be considered appropriate.