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I am strongly **opposed** to this application by Bloor Homes for an additional 200 houses adding to the 350, currently under construction.

I have lived in the village of Henham for 45 years and watched how prime agricultural land has been swallowed up by developments. All the extra people arriving requiring infrastructure that is just not there or planned for. Our schools, doctors and roads are all overflowing. Contrary to the developers claims our public transport for 'local destinations' is extremely limited meaning more cars on the village roads, already unable to cope with the volume. By 'local destinations' look at schools. The nearest secondary schools in Stansted, Newport and Bishops Stortford are barely walking distance and bus services are minimal and not direct. Yes there are commuter trains to London but how can this development be called sustainable if workers are commuting and school children require private transport?

Very limited facilities in Elsenham mean shopping involves journeys further afield. The one doctors surgery is already under strain. Even the local primary schools are full.

A Secretary of State ruled development on this site was unsustainable in 2016 yet now, after many more smaller housing developments have been permitted in the area, how can it be deemed sustainable when there has been no improvements to roads and services.

Traffic is a constant issue in neighbouring villages as more cars try to negotiate our rural roads. One set of traffic lights in Stansted does nothing to alleviate the daily traffic jams. The drip, drip of new housing in these areas means numbers have already exceeded the number of new dwellings deemed unsustainable in 2016.

We need to be realistic about how many more people can be squeezed into an already overburdened area.

For these reasons I am completely opposed to this new application.

Mary Tripp