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Sent: 22 November 2022 23:20
To: Section 62A Applications <section62a@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>
Subject: REF S62A/2022/0012 Land Est of Station, Elsenham

Dear Sir

I write with reference to the above planning application which I completely do not support in any way at all.

The local area has become completely saturated with housing developments, and what was a lovely country village in both Henham and Elsenham are just becoming urban sprawls and there is very little left of the villages where everyone seemed to know each other etc because they are becoming too big. This steam roller of planning applications needs to stop.

Previously the Secretary of State had considered a proposal of 800 dwellings and decided it would bring a significant increase of traffic to a village. Previously it used to take 15 minutes from Henham to Bishops Stortford (driving) but even yesterday afternoon it took me 30 mins. This is double what it should be taking to drive 8 miles.

In 2016 this was refused planning permission as it should now because it was not sustainable.

Piecemeal developments should not be allowed. A previous application was refused for 1000 dwellings and now Elsenham / Henham have nearly reached over this number with the applications being broken down into smaller numbers and these are now being passed which is absurd.

Local people experience daily a totally different situation on the local roads than what is modelled in the transport assessments, how can this be allowed for data to be so far from the truth? Lower Street and Grove Hill in Stansted already have severe delays and queues. The little road through Ugley Green (not even wide enough for white lines down the middle of the road) suffers and cannot cope with the number of vehicles that use this road.

Elsenham School is already full and where are the children supposed to go to school? Buses are limited and you need to use a car to live in these areas.

Living on a farm myself, I do not understand with this land being grade 1 and 2 Agricultural Land, how is it sustainable to lose such high-grade productive agriculture land? Doesn't the country need to become more self-sufficient?

For the above reasons I am totally against the above planning application, and I hope you will look properly and visit the area to see for yourself the issues I have highlighted above.

Kind Regards

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