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To: Section 62A Applications <section62a@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>
Subject: Canfield Moat S62A/22/005

Dear Sirs,

I am writing with the personal objection to the proposed 15 houses that are under planning application number S62A/22/005, the development is fundamentally not sustainable in this location.

[REDACTED] I walk the network of public footpaths on a daily basis with my 2 dogs. I regularly walk past the entrance to Canfield Moat and admire the beautiful huge trees, the natural landscape, the heritage of this spot, the silence and tranquility. I have loved the rural outlook of the Moat, I have loved it for many years. When I was 9 years old I kept my first pony at The Moat, the small stable housed her at night and then each morning and night I led her along the drive and into the paddocks, it was like a fairy tale castle, it was beautiful then & it still is. This simply can't be destroyed and be developed upon.

Canfield Moat dates back far far longer than my memory, There is a historic moat area at the back of the house, again, this is part of our village history, and should not be built on, it will harm the character of the countryside and the rural character of this part of the village.

More recently the neighbouring farmer diversified and set up a huge outdoor fitness centre, certainly during the covid lockdown it was extremely busy and still is. The noise pollution from Farm Fitness would be unbearable if the trees were to be cut down, the eco system needs to be protected. Some of these trees are much wider than my arms breadth, surely they should have a tree protection order on to keep them safe. .

High Cross Lane West is a single track road at best, going over a small hump back bridge and then along to the driveway in to Canfield Moat. The sides of the road have been destroyed over the last few years because of the increase in traffic, drains are now exposed and at least a few poor souls catch their tyres on the drain holes every year causing punctures, more traffic would make this already awful situation a lot worse. If you were to suggest that each house will have at least 2 cars then that's at least 30 cars going in and out extra a day, on top of that the services that would be increased, postmen, bin lorries, delivery drivers to suggest just a few. The protected lane starts a bit further down coming out of the drive way and turning left, this is where the road gets considerably narrower and is not passable in places. This lane can't cope with the traffic it already has let alone any more. The lane is protected because it reflects the sparsely populated rural nature of the area, 15 more houses will harm this rural hamlet.

There is only access to Canfield Moat by car, it's not safe to walk on unlit narrow, dark lanes, there is no pavement and no space to put one in along the lane, there are no bus routes along the lane, it is not capable of supporting higher volumes of traffic, the road is already damaged beyond repair, no ways in or out apart from by car, no public transport, no local shops to walk to, no school within walking distance cars are needed for every single journey.

We as residents already have a poor water pressure, more houses will make this situation worse. The road floods in the winter just outside of The Cottage, this would mean everyone having to drive through flood water. This water does slowly dissipate into the ditches but it's a slow process.

There is a wooded area to the back of The Moat, known as bluebell woods, this along with the wooded area within the moat curtilage are home to many wild animals, I regularly see deer, muntjak, badgers, foxes and hares running through the trees, it would be so sad to see this area destroyed.

I do think the inspectors need to come out to Little Canfield and see for themselves what a wonderful rural spot this is and just can't be destroyed.

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