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Subject: Proposed development at Land West of Thaxted Road, Saffron Walden.

Reference No:- S62A/2022/0014.

Thank you for your letter regarding the above development of which I would like to give my objection for this to go ahead, my reasons for this are as follows:-

1. This has been arable land providing food. If you place 170 houses and assume the minimum amount of residents would be 170, where would the food previously grown here, come from, could it possibly be abroad, therefore adding to our carbon footprint?

2. There are many beautiful types of wild habitat in this surrounding area and most rely on the hedgerows around the circumference of the above mentioned site, deer footprints are to be seen, herons, bats, grass snakes so many species of birds, butterflies, moths, wild flowers, burdock, speedwell, forget-me-not, Scarlet Pimpernel, etc., I could go on!!

3. Most of us have seen Sir David Attenborough regarding the state of our poor planet (our only home) and how we need BALANCE, already we have seen opposite this proposed area a whole new build of houses where the field previously displayed each year the most beautiful array of red poppies, where bees etc., busied themselves and are now, know where to be seen. Yes, I see a pond is proposed, marvellous, however, I fear for the wildlife that are here now, where will they go? Only last week I found a muntjac down the alley way from Mill Road, leading onto the main Peaslands Road, again, nature being pushed out.

I myself am unaware of any wild meadows, where balance would take place.

4. Our beautiful town is beginning to choke, not only with lack of Drs. etc., but I also wonder how the schools will cope as they must be full to capacity. As regard to pollution, I suffer from asthma and especially in the summertime, walking along any road can at times be unbearable, we know how much damage it can cause and yet we have school children walking through some of the most busiest times of day.

5. On the plan, there is an area that opens into the Glebe. This opens up onto a private parking area, so I am assuming that this would not be made a public walkway?

6. How will the Saffron Walden Sewerage Treatment Works, deal with the waste, along with Affinity, the providers of our water? In the past Thaxted Road was flooded with a torrential downpour and many houses were flooded, the Leisure Centre suffered too. The field on which the development is planned is sloping down to the same road and with the new builds, opposite and slightly further up, I am concerned this could reoccur.

7. Finally, many people that have not been notified regarding the proposal, that live in our beautiful town, often have walked around the perimeter of this area and have had a perfect sense of the natural world at work from one season to the next, I have conversed with several that are dismayed about the whole idea and if given the chance would object. I am hoping that any studies that are/have been carried out, with wildlife in mind are not just for an hour in one day but to be taken throughout the whole year, encountering different aspects of all species and to be fair, after all they cannot retaliate, along with the other points mentioned here with my objection.

Thanking you for this opportunity,

Mrs. Feekery