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Sent: 01 March 2023 22:01
To: Section 62A Applications <section62a@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection - Application Reference number S62A/2023/0015 relating to Proposed development at Grange Paddock, Ickleton Road, Elmdon, Essex

Dear Sirs,

I am a resident living in Elmdon close to the development referenced above.

I write to formally lodge my objection to this development. The reasons for my objection are as follows:

1. This village is more of a quiet hamlet in the sense that there are no facilities or public services whatsoever to support further population increases of this scale. There are no shops, no pubs, no realistic bus service and there are no facilities at all for children. The population percentage increase of this development cannot be sustained by the existing infrastructure.
2. The road system in the vicinity of the development is already hugely overburdened. The single available road is very narrow and lined/blocked down one side with parking for existing residents. It cannot support any increase in traffic.
3. The proposed development is located high above and overlooks existing dwellings which are of a much more modest scale
4. Footpath access is either non-existent or unsuitable
5. The village created a development plan for future growth 'Village Design Statement', supported by the whole village. This development does not accord with that plan.
6. There is already localised flooding along the road immediately adjacent to this proposed development. Hard surface run-off from the development will certainly overload the already inadequate drainage
7. Local education is already overloaded. There are only two local secondary school: County High School in Saffron Walden is already at capacity and is no longer taking children from Elmdon. Joyce Frankland Academy in Newport is the only other school available. It too is at capacity. The development is also located beyond the range set by Essex County Council for free school bus services
8. There is no mains gas to Elmdon. This means that heating will in all likelihood be either from stored gas or oil. Fuel tankers and large lorries already have considerable difficulty getting through the village, particularly in the vicinity of the development because of the narrow road and on street parking. The required regular fuel deliveries will be disruptive, noisy and dangerous due to insufficient turning space and a steep rise from the road to the development.

In summary and for the above reasons, I consider this proposed development to be wholly inappropriate in both scale and location and urge you to reject the application.

Your faithfully
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