

Report to HM Planning Inspectorate concerning Planning application S62A/2023/0018 – Up to 31 no. residential dwellings with all matters reserved for subsequent approval, except for vehicular access from Pines Hill, (B1383).

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Stance: I object to this planning applications because of its location on Highways issues.

Reasons for objecting:

My objections are based on factual data I collected over a number of years and brought together in the attached report titled “Road Traffic Through Stansted Mountfitchet and Overview as at February 2020 – updated July 2020”, dated 27th July 2020. Since writing this report ECC Highways commissioned a traffic count during 4th to 10th July 2022. This traffic count is not included in my report but is attached as further evidence for consideration by the Inspectorate.

Also attached are ECC Highways Road traffic surveys carried out by their main contractor Ringway Jacobs on the B1383 silver street and the B1383 northerly continuation Cambridge Road. The Silver Street section of the B1383 carried an average daily traffic volume of 16,457 vehicles. The Cambridge Road section carried an average daily volume of 10,234 vehicles during the period 11th October 2016 and 17th Oct 2016, this is the most recent independent authoritative data available, it is likely to have increased as a result of many major housing developments in Bishops Stortford North and the numerous housing developments immediately north of Stansted Mountfitchet and its northerly boundary.

I along with other Stansted Mountfitchet residents are Police trained and registered Speed Watchers. The speed measuring kit we use is police approved and our reports are sent to them for confirmation and recording and action. Attached are four actual reports which the Police have accepted of vehicles at or exceeding the 36 mph speed which is the we are allowed to record. The Inspectorate is minded that all vehicles passing us pass a number of Speed Limit notices, the normal 30 mph speed limit sign and a Speed Watch notice and Speed Watchers all wearing Hi-Vis jackets. The attached reports all relate to the B1383 Silver Street. All the data can be confirmed.

For the above factual reasons this application location is very likely to result in increased safety risks and therefore should not be approved.

Signed: Raymond Woodcock on 11th May 2023.