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Subject: Apposing Planning Application

Hi

I am strongly apposed to any development around Smiths Green and Bamber's Green for several reasons which I will now outline why that is so.

I have lived in what was once a village for more than 30 years. I moved away from London to enjoy a more peaceful and community way of life. I have seen the village slowly but surely start to lose its character and identity with pockets of Lego houses encroaching from all sides of what's left of the village. We talk about having housing for our children when both my daughters have moved away and other friend's children because of the encroachment over the last ten years. I never knew just how precious the land around Bamber's Green was to everyone until Covid struck. The road leading onto Smith & Bamber's Green is now the only road you can walk down into countryside. It has become the key area for walkers and for people to still see what Takeley really looked like and surely this must be preserved for future generations to love rather than short term greed and profit.

If you look back in history even Hackney and Leyton were all green fields once upon a time but the demand to drive the economy and profit causes irrational decisions and all you are left with are spaces designated by people for people. That kind of false space does nought for wellbeing and mental health. There are some outstanding and beautiful properties that deserve to be left in piece. How dare we take this last remaining beautiful part of Takeley and think that we can decide for future generations to lose.

I understand the need to expand but until someone starts to say this is for the children of the future which is about having spaces that millions of people require to live a happy full filling life. In twenty years', time Takeley will be surrounded by thousands of houses so for everyone's sake please leave the last real piece of Takeley for the community and future generations. LEAD BY EXAMPLE

I am not doing this email for me as I am to old to be affected by these decisions nor my children as they have fled to Suffolk. I just felt I should at least try and help the next generation to live in a world worth living in.

Yours Hopefully
Ron Beauchamp