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Subject: Appeal - Land South of (West of Robin Hood Road) Rush Lane Elsenham - S62A/2023/0026

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To Whom it may concern,

We are writing to lodge our objections to the above application.

As residents of a listed property on Robin Hood, we strongly object to this development. This is mainly due to the following reasons:

1. Traffic/Parking on Robin Hood Road:

Our main concern is the increase in traffic using Robin Hood Road, both during construction and once the houses are occupied. Already the number of large vans and lorries that deliver to the existing houses cause hold-ups and issues. Due to parked cars these lorries and vans often need to mount the pavement in order to pass, which, in a road that has many families, is far from safe or secure. The road itself already has potholes and this would only increase with the volume and weight of the trucks that would be needed for the development. The road is not just used by residents either; customers using the Post Office and Tesco's park at the top of Robin Hood Road (they then drive down, turn around in Mill Close and then drive back up), as do parents taking their children to school, people parking for the airport, and visitors who like to use the walks that start at the bottom of Robin Hood Road and Rush Lane.

2. Access to and from the Village:

It has been mentioned many times but it cannot be stressed enough, with all the other residential developments, the roads cannot cope with the traffic moving in and out of the village. We've heard the argument that 'it's fine there are 4 roads in and out of the village so the roads are more than sufficient to cope with more vehicles'. However this is simply not an accurate reflection of the traffic movements. In the majority of cases traffic is heading to and from Bishops Stortford or the M11. The only convenient routes are via Grove Hill or Hall Road. The frequent occurrence of significant pot holes on both roads is clear evidence that these can't cope with the increase in construction traffic and residential traffic.

We also suspect the land itself is far from suitable. How will the land cope with new roads and pavements in terms of drainage? There is already a constant stream of water running from the land, down Robin Hood Road.

Thank you for taking the time to read our objections and please think about the impact of this development on the village and families in the area.

Regards

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