From: Rosie Dyer Sent: 04 January 2024 13:30 To: Section 62A Applications <section62a@planninginspectorate.gov.uk> Subject: Objection S62A/2023/0028

# To whom it may concern,

I have lived at The Old Brewery for just short of 5 years. I strongly object to Section 62A Planning Application: S62A/2023/0028 land off Chelmsford Road, Hartford End, Chelmsford.

I would like to object for the following reasons:

## Heritage site

The Old Brewery is a heritage site of historical significance with a rich history dating back to 1842. The development in its current form has been restored in a way that is sympathetic to the original brewery site. I believe that adding additional houses to the field adjacent to the development will take away from the developments uniqueness and there will be nothing to distinguish The Old Brewery from any other housing estate.

## **Amenities**

Given that Hartford End and Felsted are relatively small areas, the amenities currently available are limited. In the village of Felsted, there is one GP surgery, one shop and two schools, one of which is public. I feel that an additional 50 houses will have a significant impact on these services which I am told are already stretched, particularly the GP surgery. In addition to this, there are currently a substantial number of houses being built between Felsted and Little Dunmow who will also require access to these services.

# <u>Road</u>

The B1417 is currently a very busy road. Whilst the speed limit is 40 MPH, cars regularly exceed this limit. The entrance to the proposed development is on a hill where visibility is already obscured. Furthermore, it is also very close to a junction that has reduced visibility where cars have to edge out before they can see what is coming down the road. Just last year a car pulled out of this junction, lost control of their vehicle and drove straight into the hedge of Hop House. I believe that the proposed development will increase traffic significantly on a road that already has dangers. There have also been multiple collisions along this stretch of road with deer and other wildlife.

# Flooding

There is a major issue with flooding at The Old Brewery. Since construction there has been considerable flooding of the green, road and pathway from the site of the proposed development. The residents have spent over £10,000 appointing a company to look at the issue and carry out works including providing additional drainage as well as rebuilding the existing land drains. Unfortunately, the problem has not been solved and there is still

constant flooding. Surely building an additional 50 houses on a field that has significant flooding issues is not ideal and would exasperate the current flooding problem.

To conclude, I strongly object to this proposed development. Hartford End in its current form is a picturesque hamlet with historical significance. By adding an additional 50 houses we will simply be ruining and polluting the countryside, creating unnecessary traffic and potential accidents and stretching our amenities even further than they are already being stretched.

Yours faithfully,

Rosie Dyer