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Sent: 03 March 2025 17:37

To: Section 62A Applications <section62a@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

Subject: S62A/2025/0077 Land West of High Street, Stebbing

Dear Sir/Madam

I reiterate my opposition once again to the planning application referred to above, for the following reasons:

The proposed area for development is a much loved and an approved local 'Green Space' for residents to benefit from and enjoy and is NOT in the Stebbing Neighbourhood Plan, which was approved by the majority of residents (94%). If this proposal is approved, it completely undermines the Stebbing Neighbourhood Plan and most people living here. Residents and visitors coming to the village value the beautiful views in Stebbing, the Motte and open green space through the High Street, which also provides a much-needed haven to many forms of wildlife and to the wellbeing of the community.

The access point is on a dangerous bend, which is already is far too busy and is regularly congested by parking and through traffic at certain times of the day, causing chaos. This development will create a high volume of vehicles - initially construction traffic, followed by an abundance of residential vehicles. Increasing this by at least another 50 vehicles will be hazardous and detrimental to the village.

Stebbing school is at capacity, and the GP practices and dentists are struggling to cope with demand from the increased population in this area as it stands. The centre of the village is already over developed, and The Downs and Garden Fields have both experienced flooding issues last year, therefore more construction here is not an option we can absorb yet again. We simply do not have the infrastructure to support further housing in the centre of the village.

The reptile survey highlighted presence slow worms and grass snakes which are both protected species under the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981. Destroying this environment would be damaging to them, not to mention the deer, birds, bees, and many other forms of wildlife which exist here. The proposed development is also very close to Stebbing Mount, a heritage site that should remain protected from the impact of a housing development.

This planning application will provide absolutely nothing beneficial to the village, quite the opposite in fact.

Unfortunately this developer is trying to bypass the usual local planning system in order to get this development past the majority of villagers who have opposed the plans previously (of which there were a considerable number!). Quite clearly it is not wanted and not needed.

Yours faithfully T Hallums

