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To: Section 62A Applications <section62a@planninginspectorate.gov.uk>
Subject: Objection to Application No. S62A/2025/0107 — Former Friends School Sports Field, Saffron Walden

Dear Sir/Madam

We wish to raise several concerns in relation to the revised planning application (S62A/2025/0107) for the proposed development on the former Friends School sports field, Mount Pleasant Road, Saffron Walden

****1. Overlooking and Loss of Privacy****

The proposed maisonettes (Plots 43–46), particularly the second-floor balconies and windows, will directly overlook [REDACTED] due to the elevated position of the site. This would result in a significant loss of privacy and enjoyment of our outdoor space.

We ask that the maisonette block be rotated 180 degrees and the upper-floor units redesigned so that only small bedroom windows face our property. This would help reduce direct overlooking.

In addition, the trees that are to be planted between our property and the new development to provide screening, we request that they be of a more mature height and density upon planting. This would provide more immediate privacy rather than relying on years of growth.

****2. Scale and Use of Clubhouse****

The proposed clubhouse is disproportionately large compared to the field's former use as a term-time sports facility. It raises concerns that it could be used for events beyond the scope of sports, such as private functions or parties, leading to noise and disruption for neighbours.

I respectfully ask that the Inspectorate reconsiders these elements to better protect neighbouring residential amenity and ensure the development remains in keeping with the character and use of the area.

Yours faithfully,

Mr & Mrs Diante

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