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Dear Councillors

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FORMER FRIENDS SCHOOL FIELD, MOUNT PLEASANT ROAD, SAFFRON WALDEN, CB11 3EB

I am aware that there was a planning consultation for the above. Unfortunately I have been away and did not receive the letter until recently.

I would like to bring these points to your attention.

Number One

I live at [REDACTED] When buying my [REDACTED] it was brought to my attention that planning permission had been applied for building on the Former Friends School Field. This involved dwellings with associated infrastructure and landscaping, together with playing fields and associated clubhouse.

Most importantly I was also told that for the build to take place there would be more than one entrance onto the site for all the necessary construction traffic. It has now come to my attention that this is not the case. The only entrance for construction traffic is via Erskine Place.

The amount of construction traffic that already uses Erskine Place is already excessive and the noise is unbearable. There are residents cars parked on one side of the road in their allotted spaces and lorries cannot pass each other. At times, when work vans are parked on the other side of the road, emergency traffic would not be able to gain access.

If planning is eventually agreed then the lives of all those who live in Erskine Place will be hugely affected. Their health and right to a harmonious environment will be heavily compromised

These terraces should not have been built at the start of the development if Erskine Place was already designated to be the only entrance for construction traffic.

Number Two

Mount Pleasant Road is extremely busy. There is no speed limit and the traffic drive very fast making it difficult to exit Erskine Place. A speed limit should be put in place or traffic calming.

There will be I believe, a large number of parking spaces on site, with 52 apartments being planned for the Friends School Building eventually, all of which will be using this exit as well as all the traffic from the new homes to be constructed on the Former Friends School Field. Where is the parking for those who will be attending football and cricket matches? As far as I can see from the plan there is very little. If that is the case then there will be queues and congestion and result out of sheer frustration that people will park in resident allocated spaces. There absolutely has to be another entrance/exit.

Number Three

Chase Homes are promoting the Former Friends School Field as a special place to live with trees, flowers and green spaces.

Unfortunately through the management company the gardeners who have been hired to look after the existing site have very little time to cover the whole area. They have been given an impossible task. Three birch trees planted near where I park my car are now dead through lack of attention and water. Chase did the planting but there was no-one maintaining it. Other areas are no better and we residents are paying the management company to cover the costs of gardeners but it is making little difference. This does not give confidence that the rest of the area on the Former Friends School Field site when built will receive the correct care and attention.

I look forward to your reply

Kind regards



Susan Welsh