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Dear West Suffolk Planning,

I would like to record my objection to the outline planning application for 'North East Haverhill', to be known as Wilsey Park. Reference: DC/15/2151/OUT

>The existing infrastructure in and around the town is already overstretched. The A1307 road for example has been at maximum capacity since the 1990's. With this in mind with the extra traffic generated by the proposed development will not only add to problems along this stretch of road (which is already a high casualty route) but will also see a greater amount of traffic using the surrounding 'B' roads through the local villages. Namely Kedington, Great Bradley, Thurlow, Brinkley, Castle Camps, Shudy camps, Balsham, West Wratting among others. The Approved relief road lined out in the application as a traffic solution will ease some amount of flow of traffic in the town centre, however this is only a small fraction of the traffic problem within the town and surrounding areas. With this in mind the Approved relief road will only divert more potential business away from an already failing town centre.

>I do not believe that adequate flood protection has been allowed for in the existing plans. The tributary to the river Stour that runs through the town regularly floods in and around East Town Park, Haverhill Golf Course and Sturmer. The water has to run somewhere and I believe that with the extra runoff that this development will create will overwhelm the river on a far more frequent occurrence. When the golf course floods it closes the course and also causes significant damage to the course which only adds to the courses financial suffering. Which if flooding was to occur on a more regular basis would put undue strain on a much used facility.

- > The Plans state that the visual barrier between Haverhill and Kedington will be maintained. So why has Calford Green not been extended the same courtesy? The proposed development encroaches right up to the existing village and Calford Green's identity as a village will be completely lost.
- >According to a recent article in the local paper, Anglian water have stated that the town's sewage works are already at maximum capacity. With an extra 2500 homes proposed, what provisions will be made for either an upgrade or relocation of this facility?

- >The local Secondary schools are over placed currently and there is no provision for another Secondary school within the development area. What provisions are in place for this concern?
- >The current Police presence in Haverhill is overstretched at best without the addition of a 2500 home development.
- >The same concern as above for the Fire service which has not been expanded upon since the 1960's'.
- >The Dump located in the town is already too small for purpose and regularly queues into the road. The extra residents from this development would only make a bad situation worse.
- >There is already a limited amount of jobs within the town, mainly due to larger companies not investing within the town because of the poor transport links. This problem will only be exacerbated with the extra traffic ultimately having a long term detrimental effect on the town's commerce prospects in the future.
- >The two proposed access points to the development are both to the North and west of the development with no access points along the eastern or southern edges. This means all residents will have to use the road along the top of the chalkstone development which runs past two schools.
- >The local doctor's surgeries cannot cope with the volume of people within the town already. With people waiting around 2 weeks for an appointment regularly. There is not even a walk in clinic available to the town. So how, assuming that each new house has 2 occupants, will this already failing health system in town cope with an extra 5000 people?

Please give due consideration if approving this development as it is we, the residents, who will have to live with the legacy problems being created.

Yours

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