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The Town Council OBJECT to this application.

Comments sent 23rd May have not been addressed and remain relevant, particularly the following;

Highway Safety

Outside Westfield Primary School, there is an existing pedestrian underpass which needs connecting to the proposed pathways and cycleways. Investment in safety fencing and remodelling of the entrance to this underpass would provide a safe crossing point and in doing so remove the need for the existing road crossing adjacent to this proposed new junction.

At the Northern entrance, the application appears to show an abrupt end to a high quality cycle and footway provision. The proposed roundabout on the A143 needs to have good protected crossings and routes for pedestrians and cyclists and this should connect seamlessly with the provisions that are proposed for the NW Haverhill development, to contribute towards a coherent sustainable travel provision. We asked planners ensure that the relevant officers within SCC are consulted on these proposals and this issue in particular. As there is no highways comment on these matters we assume they remain outstanding.

Traffic Movements

There appears to be no Consultation Response on the Portal from Highways, the Town Council requested that the Highways authority review the impact on the transport network outside of the development given the traffic flow projections within this application, particularly traffic leaving via the southern junction.

Mitigation measures that encourage the pattern of traffic movement to favour the northern access point at the A143, onto the northern relief road should be put in place to reduce the impact on existing residential roads on the Chalkstone estate. Sensitive junctions that are already operating at high capacity should be reassessed using the data provided.

Mitigation appears to be focused on vehicle movements, consideration should be given to sustainable transport, bus routes, bus shelters and bus stops, to ensure the provision of essential links to the town centre using public transport and cycles.

Sustainable Future and Energy Saving

The Town Council also request that the new homes are built with solar panels to contribute towards a sustainable future.

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