37 Bumpstead Road

Haverhill

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Planning Department

West Suffolk District Council

Dear Sirs

**Reserved Matters Application DC/15/2424/OUT**

Following my earlier comments relating to the above application I have now received notification as to the proposed amendments applied for in relation to the size of the building on Unit 1. Following this notification I asked the question to the planning officer as to clarification of the actual size of the proposed new building. I have been told that this is 17 metres high on top on a platform which is already higher than the adjoining residential properties.

Reference is made in the noise reports to this application of comparison with similar buildings. I would question what similar buildings were used to compile these figures and whether they were adjacent to residential properties. The proposed building will be one of the tallest in the town. Currently all of the tall large commercial buildings are not adjacent to residential properties. Indeed it is difficult to envisage what this will mean to the residents of Bumpstead Road as, if approved, the proposed building will dominate the skyline of Haverhill Town and be visible far and wide.

In addition the revised plans show 298 parking spaces. This alone could generate some 5-600 vehicle movements alone plus the potential lorry movements. Once again the comparisons made in the documentation refers to the proposed tenants current lorry deliveries as being some 15 a day. This is however to a building a fraction of the size of the proposed building which will inevitably increase their manufacturing/engineering capacity and thereby the number of lorries delivering to the site.

Indeed when looking at the site as a whole there would now appear to be capacity for some 1200 vehicle movements a day. Anyone familiar with Bumpstead Road will know that the road narrows considerably towards Ehringhausen Way and the very last thing that it could cope with is an increase in lorry movements around a very tight entrance and roundabout adjacent to Sturmer Arches. Lorries have previously damaged trees alongside the road, resulted in damage to recently laid road surface and kerbs.

Does this level of vehicle movements not call for a vehicle management plan?

Yours faithfully

Susan Roach (Mrs)