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To planning authorities,

Persimmon have now introduced a new road structure into their planning proposals which will lead to Ann Suckling road becoming a major access point to the new estates they are developing.

However, we must object to these proposals on the following grounds:

1. Only one household has received an official notification from the Planning Office regarding these amendments to the original application. The first we knew of it was communication from a neighbour – surely the Council have a duty of care to notify us individually of a potential change to the safety and security of our homes? Having only one access to Boyton Hall makes it less attractive for criminal activity and makes it a much safer place for our children/pets to live.
2. Additionally, we were always led to believe that Ann Suckling Road would never be opened to through traffic and the "worst case" scenario would be a link to the new estate via a bus gate, which would allow bus and emergency vehicles plus a pedestrian and cycle access. Opening the road to all road traffic would effectively make it a "rat run" or cause it to become a short cut for people wishing to avoid Wrattling Road. We have no objection to the road being opened up to cyclists, pedestrians or to buses (via a rising bollard system), but it is not appropriate for other uses.
3. The Northern Bypass, which has long been recognised by the residents of Haverhill as being desperately needed by the town to alleviate congestion & reduce pollution/noise, has become a low priority in the development of the new estate. This does not only impact the residents of Boyton Hall, but all those other residents who need to use the town centre. You'd think the councils would want to progress this quickly and achieve a "quick win" for voters? To not make this a priority makes it another promise by Councils that is made and not followed through upon.
4. The planning proposal assumes that people will walk or go by cycle rather than use their cars, and that traffic volumes will not be significant – we all know from personal experience that this is a myth. Life is very busy and this makes vehicles the preferred method for the majority of people who

may, for example, be rushing to get to work or an appointment, busy parents doing school runs (and then having to go straight to work), wanting to avoid inclement weather and it just generally being the easy option.

We are asking that the proposal to open Anne Suckling Road to all traffic be rejected on the grounds outlined above.

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