

DC/20/0614/RM

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Subject: OBJECTION TO DC/20/0614/RM

For the attention of Penny Mills,

My name is Russell Fox residing at 4 Chase Close – CB9 0EF

as a resident of Boyton Hall I strongly object to the proposed Persimmon plan to open up Anne Suckling Road as an access road to the Persimmon estate on the following grounds:

The A143 entrance to Ann Suckling Road offers poor visibility down the hill to Haverhill, not helped with parked cars on the slip road. The volume of traffic potentially using Ann Suckling Road will continue to increase as more phases of the estate are developed. With a total of 1,100 houses all together being built it would appear that up to approximately half of this development, particularly motorists in Phase 6, Phase 5A, phase 5B, Phase 5C and parts of 4B, will perceive the route along Ann Suckling Road as the preferred choice when wishing to access the A143.

The building of Persimmon houses so close to the junction of Anne Suckling Road has also exacerbated the use of opening up this junction beyond its present use for access to Anne Suckling Road and the Boyton Hall estate. These houses have only a very narrow frontage with front doors leading directly on to the entrance of the junction. There is already considerable traffic noise, near misses, emissions before considering the inevitable additional traffic that will follow after opening up Ann Suckling Road further, unnecessarily adding to these difficulties.

1. Safety; There are considerable problems with residents having adequate parking from the newly built Persimmon homes, the cottages and Boyton Hall Estate. Again, as developments along this road continue these problems will increase creating hazardous conditions for people negotiating the junction. All residents have encountered many near misses when entering and exiting the estate due to parked vehicles close to the Junction. It is a matter of when there will be a serious accident, not IF and how bad!

2. Pollution and noise: it is inevitable that vehicles will use the loop road created to circumnavigate the large Persimmon estate, including dropping children off and picking up from school, accessing the Plaza when built and using the road as a shortcut to drive down to Haverhill Centre. Vehicles queuing along this road will result in increasing noise and pollution levels in the area; the opposite of achieving a good quality environment.

3. Security: opening the road up enabling unrestricted free flowing traffic will also make it more likely that such easy access through the Persimmon estate right through to the Boyton Hall Estate creates many questions concerning security of residents and property.

to Confirm for the above reasons I strongly object to these proposals and urge a new proposal should be submitted removing the proposal of changing the nature of Ann Suckling Road and making it an access road only, except for the use of buses and emergency vehicles and a cycle way controlled by a bus gate.

If you do decide to ignore all residence and local opposition a roundabout, not traffic light should be a minimum requirement to ease traffic flow at the top of a steep hill to allow safe access on and

off, whilst minimising car pollution as a result of traffic congestion. A zebra crossing should also be added to allow a safe crossing for pedestrians wishing to use the Bus stop opposite.

Best Regards

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