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Dear Andrew

I feel I must raise the issue of the clear contempt in which Acorn/SLR hold the planning process. Whilst I appreciate the council must be reasonable in its position to the application, I find it astonishing that after two extensions with clear deadlines granted by yourself, and a third extension - again granted - where the applicant actually set their own deadline, have been completely ignored.

And now, with a determination possibly soon, the applicant not only asks you to accept they need more time but makes their position clear in that submitting the required additional information is dependant on the availability of the EA! Are they seriously suggesting that after all these months they have not managed to fully engage with the EA to discuss the very valid objections that authority has requested. That would be ridiculous.

Honestly, any reasonable observer would be forgiven for thinking that the applicant knows it will escape sanction for any delays or failure to comply with the planning department's perfectly reasonable requests.

This application has been hanging over Haverhill and Withersfield for two years now.

I respectfully request that Acorn/SLR (and let's not forget the Thurlow Estate) meets its obligations without further delay so that this deeply distressing application can finally be determined. Then the local businesses and residents can plan their evacuation. I do not make that comment flippantly. I say it as a resident and business owner who has engaged fully with the local community on this issue. I know they rightly see a successful application as the death knell of Haverhill.

Kind regards

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