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Application Number: SCC/0045/23SE

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you to express my objection to the plan for the Acorn Biogester in Haverhill.

My main concerns are threefold:

1. The impact on the roads and the increase in industrial traffic in the area:

As I understand it, there will be well over 100 extra lorry or tractor movements a day. This is already a very busy area for traffic and the roads are already in a poor state of repair without adding even more heavy traffic.

2. The impact on the image of the town:

I understood that the 'Spirit of Enterprise' roundabout was supposed to be the gateway to the new Haverhill. Instead we will have a huge industrial facility the height of four double decker buses. Construction of the site will take months and for what? Precisely 5 new jobs. How can this be justified?

3. Whether the site proposed is suitable, and particularly whether the issues of flooding and wider environmental damage have been properly considered?

I am particularly concerned that the new facility would be constructed in a Flood Zone 3 so already likely to flood. Have any less risky or more suitable sites been considered?

I am aware of a lot of local opposition to this plan which should not be allowed to proceed.

Regards,

Ken McCarthy