

Comments for Planning Application UTT/21/2509/OP

Application Summary

Application Number: UTT/21/2509/OP

Address: Land South Of (East Of Griffin Place) Radwinter Road Swards End Essex

Proposal: Outline application for the erection of up to 233 residential dwellings including affordable housing, with public open space, landscaping, sustainable drainage system (SuDS) and associated works, with vehicular access point from Radwinter Road. All matters reserved except for means of access

Case Officer: Henrietta Ashun

Customer Details

Name: Mr Bill Hall

Address: 7 Dragons Green, Saffron Walden, Essex CB10 2GP

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: We are commenting on the Outline Application (UTT/21/2509/OP) for the erection of 233 residential dwellings on the land south of Radwinter Road, Swards End.

1. The proposals are for grossly excessive development on the east side of Saffron Walden, adding to already heavy development of the sites opposite and adjacent to the Tesco Store. It would add some 400+ vehicles to an already over-crowded road.
2. Swards End would, with this proposed development, become part of an undesirable sprawl eastwards from Saffron Walden, losing the character of both.
3. The access out on to Radwinter Road for this proposed development would make this road even more hazardous. The stretch down from Swards End is a dried up river bed, with a number of sharp and blind bends. There is no scope for widening or straightening this road.
4. There are major drainage problems with this road and it floods easily with heavy rain. The proposed development will exacerbate the drainage problems.
5. Access from the east of the town has to cross the traffic lights at Thaxted Road junction. The exits from the town are either along Audley Road or Church Street. Both of these routes are already heavily congested and become gridlocked at busy times. The proposed development will overload traffic on these routes. Indeed in bringing the application, the developers acknowledge the consequential traffic implications and propose major changes to traffic flows at junctions within the town.
6. The proposed development, bringing some 500+ additional residents, will put pressure on already heavily used amenities such as schools, doctors etc.

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