

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: Miss Hayley Wilson

Address: Franklands, 2A Walden Road, Swards End Saffron Walden, Essex CB10 2LE

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: This application is completely inappropriate.

I would like to register my objections to the above planning application for the following reasons:

The application if successful would have a detrimental effect on the village of Swards End which would effectively become part of Saffron Walden and undermine the village identity and the strong sense of community.

There would be a significant effect on the air pollution due to increased traffic. The vast majority of recent developments around the town have led to more traffic going through the town to access the railway, M11, London and Cambridge. This is totally unsustainable and would make life miserable for town dwellers living on the main streets.

There would be a loss of agricultural land which needs to be protected for the future. All brownfield sites must be considered before any arable land is irretrievably developed.

There is a flood risk from surface water flooding after rainfall. The main road from Swards End past Tesco is frequently under water after heavy rain and this would make the situation far worse.

There is also an impact on the sewerage/drainage on the town's already over stretched drainage system.

Despite colossal numbers of new housing in recent years, there has been no significant increase

of school places (apart from a few primary places) and no new primary school which was previously promised was ever built.

There would be a significant impact on the healthcare provision in the area. Doctors' and dentists' surgeries are already massively overstretched.

Frankly, and I'm sure this is not a factor which will be considered, but the residents of the town and surrounding areas have just had enough! There is no further capacity on this kind of scale for this town.

We have previously endured months of inconvenience with temporary traffic lights at the corner of East Street and Thaxted Road and road closures. Previous developments have seen ancient protected trees being cynically removed (Peaslands Road) to provide easier access for heavy plant. And promised sports grounds and facilities take months of campaigning to complete (Lime Avenue).

The property developers have only one goal - it is the duty of our planning department to ensure that the area is protected.