

The Planning Inspectorate

COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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Appeal Reference: APP/W1715/W/24/3347834

DETAILS OF THE CASE

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Appeal By MRS ANNETTE COOPER

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SENDER DETAILS

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ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- ☐ Appellant
- ☐ Agent
- ☒ Interested Party / Person
- ☐ Land Owner
- ☐ Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- ☐ Final Comments
- ☐ Proof of Evidence
- ☐ Statement
- ☐ Statement of Common Ground
- ☒ Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- ☐ Other

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my deep concern with the proposed planning application - PN/23/96630

The proposals deliver a great number of potential risks, concerns and impact to local residents, and I would like to outline those in my comments below.

One of the most significant concerns with this application is one of safety. As a resident who would be directly impacted by the proposed application being granted, it greatly concerns me that this appeal risks the safety of anyone in close-proximity to the potential gate opening. Whether that maybe the high-volume of pedestrians walking (with animals) around the development on a daily basis, or young children enjoying the openness of the development on bicycles - how would the introduction of increased quantities of large farm machinery benefit anyone noting this. With these associated risks in mind, this proposed application is not one which should be accepted.

Road safety is another important consideration here, whether the farm machinery drivers seek to drive back via on-coming traffic to Pembers Farm Avenue, or select the one-way system on Keepers Drive, the increased transport volumes means the opportunity for a potential accident is heightened. It is also important here to consider the residents located on Keepers Drive, who will have to take even greater caution by the increased volume of traffic now potentially using the road to exit the development. Not to mention the increased levels of noise pollution that this will bring to residents every day. With the proposed frequency of visits to the site, there is unquestionably going to be greater impact, which is clearly not fair on those residents in any part of the development.

The additional mud and dirt that will be resulting from the increased farm machinery to the surrounding roads is also a key point of consideration, why should residents be impacted by unsightly and potentially dangerous levels of mud and/or dirt on the roads (and pathways) when access to the field currently doesn't bring this issue.

The proposed new park which is located in the centre of the development is an opportunity for families to spend time together in a safe environment, the acceptance of this proposal runs the risk of farm machinery being in very close-proximity to young children frequently.

Car parking around the development has been well considered, and the introduction of increased levels of farm machinery regularly travelling past residents vehicles also increases the likelihood of potential damage. Moreover, if this was a potential recurring issue, this could lead to increased car insurance premiums for residents too.

The impact on the environment should not be forgotten here, with the vast array of wife life, plants and animals living in close-proximity to the planned gate location, why is there a need to now make this change when access is already provided via another entrance where this will not be the case.