



HOUSE OF COMMONS

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Planning Department
Central Bedfordshire Council
Priory House
Monks Walk
Chicksands
Beds SG17 5TQ

By email

18th August 2023

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Planning application **CB/19/04301/OUT**. Location: **Land North of Biggleswade SG18 OHB**

I am again writing to set out my objections to the above application which is to be considered by the Development Management Committee on the 23rd August.

As you will know, I have set out my concerns about this application on three previous occasions: 9th September 2020, 21st January 2021 and 4th December 2022.

I attach a copy of my above letters and, having again considered this matter, I wish to reiterate the concerns expressed in my previous letters. I share the concerns about this application which have been outlined by more than 1,500 concerned constituents, Central Beds Council councillors for the Biggleswade wards and Biggleswade Town Council.

As set out in my previous letters, my view is that this site is particularly ill-suited to development. A number of concerns about it have been expressed by me and others in forming our objections to the application: the additional pressure on adjacent roads which already experience congestion (and without any mitigation proposed), poor access to the site via Furzenhall Road, the limited off-street parking options for existing residents in nearby roads and the impact on roads such as Potton Road which would experience additional traffic on approach to this site with the consequent problems as traffic "ducks in an out" of gaps in the parked cars. There is also increased pressure on the roundabout at the A1 to consider. These are some of the concerns which have been expressed about the access to the site and the specific difficulties with this location, all of which make it so ill-suited for additional housing.

In addition, the adjacent roads are clearly very busy with pedestrian movements and there is a nearby school. Increased queue lengths at the Drove Road/London Road junctions and the access route to Stratton School are not included in the modelling and I share the concerns that have been raised with me about the impact on safety for drivers and pedestrians as a result of the issues raised above.

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I remain concerned that the flaws with this application have not been addressed and that there are no plans to mitigate the inevitable and significant issues with traffic movements which would arise at this site.

I would be grateful if this letter and my three previous letters of objection could be placed before the Committee please.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard Fuller".

Richard Fuller MP