

Susan Dubberley

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 16 September 2026 21:11
To: Susan Dubberley
Subject: DM/26/2178, Land between 149 & 161 College Lane

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Dear Susan,

I hope you don't mind me getting in touch. Our family recently moved into 161 College Lane and we are the immediate neighbours of the field subject to application DM/26/2178 for six houses. We're extremely concerned about the proposal and are currently working with a consultant to prepare our formal objection.

Of particular concern to us is the planning history of this exact field. The previous application for three houses was refused in 2014 on grounds including harm to the semi-rural character and countryside setting, as well as the site's unsustainable location and reliance on private cars. Given that the current proposal is for six dwellings, we feel the previous reasons for refusal remain highly relevant.

We're also concerned that the recently approved seven-house development nearby is now being used to characterise this adjoining undeveloped field as "infill". We worry that this would result in incremental development further into the countryside and a continued movement of the settlement edge along College Lane.

There are also the existing constraints of College Lane itself, particularly its narrowness, lack of pavement and pedestrian safety, and the cumulative impact of additional traffic alongside the seven houses already being constructed nearby.

As the immediately adjoining household, we also have significant concerns regarding residential amenity, particularly overlooking and loss of privacy to our rear garden and back of our house, overbearing impact and the substantial change in activity immediately alongside our home.

Given our property's immediate relationship with the application site, we wondered whether you would be willing to visit us at 161 as part of your assessment of the application. We feel seeing the field from our rear garden would be helpful in understanding the existing open relationship between our property and the site, the limited screening and the site's relationship with the surrounding countryside.

We would be very happy to accommodate a visit at any convenient time, please let me know your thoughts.

Many thanks for your time and I hope to hear back from you.

Best wishes,

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161 College Lane