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To: planninginfo
Subject: Planning application DM/26/0454

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I wish to register my strong objection to for the proposed development of 33 dwellings on land at Bolney Road, Ansty.

I believe this development would have a significant adverse impact on the local community, infrastructure, highway safety and the rural character of Ansty. My objections are as follows:

1. Inadequate Electrical Infrastructure

The local electricity network is already under considerable strain. Residents regularly experience power outages and interruptions throughout the year, demonstrating that the existing electrical infrastructure is struggling to meet current demand.

Adding a further 33 homes will inevitably place additional pressure on an already overstretched network. Before any planning permission is considered, there should be clear evidence that the electricity infrastructure can accommodate this development without reducing the reliability of supply to existing residents.

2. Highway Safety and Unsuitable Access

The proposed access arrangements raise serious highway safety concerns.

The roads serving this development are not suitable for a development of this size and the increased traffic it would generate. Visibility, road layout and the surrounding highway network already present challenges.

I understand that concerns regarding the safety of the highway have already been reported to the relevant highways authority. This should be fully investigated before any planning decision is made.

Introducing additional residential traffic, construction vehicles and service vehicles onto this road would significantly increase the risk to motorists, cyclists and pedestrians.

3. Existing Traffic Problems

Traffic congestion is already a significant issue within the local area.

Peak-time traffic regularly causes delays, and local roads were never designed to accommodate the volume of traffic associated with a further 33 dwellings.

This development would inevitably increase vehicle movements throughout the day, placing further pressure on junctions and residential roads, negatively affecting both highway safety and residents' quality of life.

4. Loss of Valuable Green Space and Wildlife Habitat

The proposed site is currently an attractive rural field which contributes greatly to the character of Ansty.

It provides open countryside, supports local wildlife and forms an important part of the village landscape.

Replacing this natural environment with housing would permanently destroy an important green space and erode the rural identity that makes Ansty unique.

Once this land is developed, it cannot be replaced.

5. Harm to the Character of the Village

Ansty is valued for its rural village atmosphere and sense of community.

A development of this scale is disproportionate to the existing settlement and would fundamentally alter the character of the village.

The proposal represents urban expansion into open countryside and risks creating an overdeveloped environment that is entirely out of keeping with the area's established character.

6. Noise, Light and General Disturbance

The development would inevitably introduce significantly higher levels of:

- * Traffic noise
- * Construction noise
- * General residential activity
- * External lighting
- * Vehicle movements

The increase in noise and artificial lighting would have a detrimental effect on neighbouring residents and local wildlife, reducing the peaceful rural environment currently enjoyed by the community.

7. Drainage and Flooding Concerns

The local drainage infrastructure already experiences problems with blockages and capacity.

Adding 33 new homes will increase surface water runoff and wastewater entering the drainage network.

Without substantial improvements to drainage infrastructure, there is a genuine concern that this development could increase the likelihood of drainage failures, local flooding and sewage-related issues.

The planning authority should require clear evidence that the drainage network has sufficient capacity before granting permission.

I ask that the Council carefully considers the cumulative impact of these issues and gives significant weight to the concerns of local residents before reaching its decision.

Yours faithfully,

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