

Both Applications

1 Loss of green belt following the failure of two business ventures which when proposed looked like they would have ensured the protection of the countryside not destroy it.

2 Further risks to wildlife both fauna and flora particularly important in these times of mental stress during covid and post covid. I speak from personal experience where the land under review formed the backdrop to my walking during the pandemic

3 The appalling road congestion in this area which results in complete chaos when there is any problem on the M25, M1 or A414 which will be made even worse by the proposed development schemes. Watford road is already the busiest B road in the area.

4 Lack of infrastructure e.g. Local doctors surgery already overstretched following the development of a former sports field in King Harry Lane. The sweeteners put in the applications will not solve this problem and indeed the provision of new primary school is not necessary in an area where 5 schools already exist. Before making this point I have checked with a school governor.

5 Affordable and targeted housing. Very commendable in theory but in this area market forces will soon take this possibility away. Of course, once the very considerable development profit has been taken the applicants can wash their hands and walk away.

CALA/PEARSON,

1. This land has become attractive in part because of the failure of the adjoining Butterfly world and having lived in this area for over forty years I can confirm that before this venture for decades was used for walking and exercising dogs. With the advent of butterfly world we were promised wildflower meadows and an increase in

biodiversity complemented by the existing Rose Garden which following a series of bad decisions have also failed. At no stage was there a suggestion massive housing development although before these major changes the area was included in the councils plan.

POLO FIELD

1 I have lived here or forty years and can confirm this land was used for agricultural crop on a normal rotational basis. It was also latterly used by amongst others Mr Collins for sheep grazing Permission was as far as I am aware granted for a Polo club which a niche market in this area of which Mr Collins is a member and therefore he should easily have been able to establish its viability. I wonder if this application might have been the original intention despite earlier less expansive schemes having been turned down. The roads around this land do not lend themselves to this type of development and in view of the current need for food growth in this country a more appropriate course of action would be to return the land to its original purpose after the sad demise of the polo club

2.This land is a natural corridor for wildlife with muntjac deer, foxes badgers barn owl, short eared owl, little owl, kestrel's swallows, and sky larks seen. We can ill afford to lose this forever.

3. An application for a more modest development was turned down inter alia because or perceived local traffic problem since then these have worsened with opening of the COOP store and the continuing development of existing properties meaning an ever-increasing number of cars being parked on the street. Particularly important in Stanley Avenue which in times of pressure on Watford Road is used as a rat run it is potentially even more dangerous as it is used daily by many Killigrew schoolchildren.

I agree entirely with the decision to turn both applications aside.

Signed

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