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26th January 2020

Dear Sir/madam,

Reference - Planning Application no IP061 (UCO64). Former School Site, Lavenham Road, Ipswich.

Proposed use, proposed erection of 23-30 dwellings in Lavenham Road, Ipswich by Ipswich Borough council. We write in connection with the above planning application. We have examined the plans and we know the site well. We wish to object strongly to the development of these 23-30 dwellings in this location. Lavenham Road is a dispersed settlement where development proposals should be considered very carefully. Infilling the green space would and has ruined the character of the area and overwhelmed it. We should also consider the protection of crane manor and its historic values, as this building is grade 2 Listed. Permission should be refused for development of poor design and quality that fails to take the opportunities available for improving the character and quality of the area and the way it functions. The proposed siting of this development is particularly ill-considered. It is a green space used by many locals for recreation and walking dogs, and building here would diminish the area and the beautiful view. A building has already been built and that has changed our outlook forever. Green spaces play an important role in an urban 'ecosystem' providing a place for physical activity, relaxation, social interaction, community events, and so on. In high-density urban areas, or areas with a high concentration of traffic there will be no clean and there will be a high level of noise pollution. Access to green open spaces is considered important for mental health and wellbeing. The World Health Organisation (WHO) has highlighted analysis suggesting that physical activity in a natural environment can help alleviate mild depression and reduce physiological stress indicators. The proposed 23-30 dwellings will have a negative impact on the area and other properties through noise levels, overlooking, overshadowing, smells, light pollution, loss of natural light, loss of privacy, dust, vibration or late night activities. Then there is the subject of anti-social behaviour, which can have a detrimental effect on one's life, health and wellbeing. The development will cause traffic problems such as traffic generation, access and safety problems. The proposal reduces the amount of car parking available, it will also cause parking issues. The local infrastructure is not adequate to service the proposed development. If there is a meeting held on the discussion of this development please contact us and let us know the time and date as we wish to attend. Many thanks.

Yours sincerely
Mr & Mrs S McCarthy.