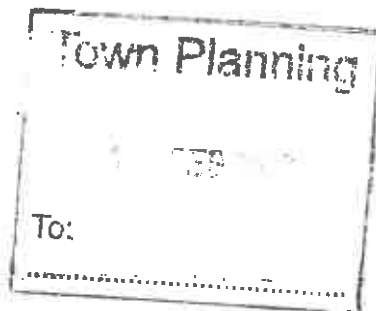


Ipswich Borough Council
Planning and Development Department
Grafton House
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February 12th 2020



Dear Sirs

Subject – Site ref IP354 – 72 (Old Boatyard) Cullingham Road Ipswich

With reference to the Proposed Local Plan Site Allocation Notice posted in connection to the above address, we would strongly object to the proposal to build 24 residences for the following reasons –

1) Traffic

Cullingham Road is built with mainly terraced houses which do not have off-road parking and therefore there are cars parked on either side of the road on a regular basis creating difficulty in access for large lorries and delivery trucks, even the refuse lorry has experienced problems in getting down the road when cars are parked haphazardly.

Any new housing being considered, even allowing for the fact that presumably car parking would be factored into the new site, would add more additional parking problems to those which we already have, bearing in mind that these days more residences have two vehicles.

Additional traffic would also cause problems exiting Cullingham Road onto Handford Road as the "Keep Clear" sign which was painted onto the road by the Council has worn away and not been re-painted.

Car parking aside, there would be additional problems with demolition/construction vehicles being able to access the site safely, due to the narrow entrance, adding yet more mayhem for the residents together with additional traffic pollution problems.

2) Wildlife disruption

The canal bank is home to a variety of wildlife including birds, waterfowl, squirrels and a family of foxes. We have even had a small deer wandering along the bank and as our flat in Elizabeth Court has a clear view along the canal bank, we have been

fortunate to enjoy watching all these. This would not be the case if a housing estate were to be built.

We need to encourage wildlife not effectively destroy their habitat by building an estate.

3) Health and Wellbeing

The site had previously been a machinery business which, when the working day ended, would be closed and the area would be quiet. Having a housing estate right on our doorstep, which it would be as Elizabeth Court is surrounded on two sides by the site, would cause us noise and disruption.

We trust that our views will be taken into consideration during the public consultation period.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Carole Williamson

Mr Christopher Williamson

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