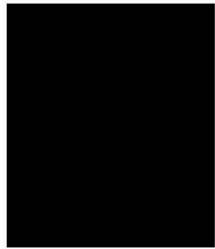


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Dear Sir,

I wish to object to the proposed development of 75 new houses planned for North Fambridge. In the first instance it betrays the pledge made in the MDC mission statement to "maintain the quality of life for the community, focus growth in the most sustainable and appropriate locations and protect our picturesque villages".

There are serious environmental issues at stake here with North Fambridge enjoying an Essex Wildlife Trust reserve, several dedicated SSSI sites together with an extensive Ramsar site. Any significant development would threaten the wildlife that abounds in these areas and have a catastrophic (and irreparable) effect of the local eco system.

Much of North Fambridge lies in a flood zone. It is obvious that the addition of 75 new dwellings would greatly increase the current flood risk. There already exists a serious sewage and surface water problem, particularly to the south east and western parts of the village.

The B1012 is already a dangerous road recognized as an accident reduction zone. There have been several recent fatalities in North Fambridge where traffic volumes are already at an unsustainable level, given the narrowness of the only main artery to enter and exit the village which would not cope with extra usage.

In short, the proposed development is entirely unsustainable and ill-thought out with no reference to the recent village plan and village design statement

Yours Faithfully

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