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24th September, 2013.

Dear Sir,

Re: MALDON DISTRICT L.D.P.

I have joined the Heybridge Resident's Association to appose the above plan, not only because my property is directly affected, but because everyone in the district knows full well it will be a disaster with 4,400 new homes and families.

The infrastructure is already inadequate for the existing residents; the roads, the Doctor's services, Dentists and very importantly schools, are all struggling with too many families to serve. The town of Maldon itself is already trying to park more cars than it has room for and this directly impacts the High Street. As well as the retail trade, the commercial and manufacturing firms will also be badly affected and there do not seem to be any specific plans for more Companies to employ the thousands of new workers.

While I realize that towns are dynamic and must expand and have new homes, it should be planned over a period that will allow the infrastructure to keep pace with it. Although the Consultation Document is full of grand words like 'homes, jobs and infrastructure', how will it be funded when we cannot even afford a flood scheme for existing properties?

The document also describes 'appropriate locations' and then chooses a soggy field that already floods Holloway Road, to build 100 of the new houses. Not only that, but then chooses firmer ground to the West for a new bypass road with parkland around it; why not build on the firm ground and use the appropriately drained field for parkland? This would solve the problems of flooding and the devaluation of our properties, also it would cost less for the affluent developer who pays for it.

I imagine that you will already have created a file for letters of this nature, there will probably be thousands of them, so please answer them and do not consign them to your waste bin. As a local government officer, you represent the people of this district; we are not just a local irritant or the local opposition. We are the people you are appointed to serve and our interests should be paramount in your considerations for this scheme, it is called Democracy.

I look forward with interest, to your reply.

