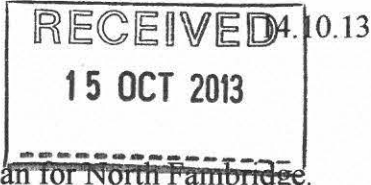


The Chief Planning Officer



Dear Sir or Madam

I am writing to object to the Local Development Plan for North Fambridge.

My objections are:

1. The housing density will not be in keeping with the village identity.
2. The School catchment area is oversubscribed.
3. The B1012 is already a dangerous road with constant accidents and deaths. The capacity of the road is at best passable at quiet times, during peak times it is frustrating and subject to queues into and out of North Fambridge. The plan to increase housing will only add to the problems on the B1012. There are constant queues into South Woodham Ferrers morning and night. The link road to and from Rettendon has become a constant stream of traffic at peak times; it is not suitable for the amount of vehicle movements. Any additional development will only add to the problems experienced.
4. There is a station in the Village this does provide some links to London and other stations, this is costly and at best fragile, there is little point in going into detail, the service (when running) is best experienced at first hand, good luck.
5. The GP surgeries in the area are full with one surgery in South Woodham Ferrers closing. Hospital links are very poor and require car transport or taxi journeys, if you have a day to spare public transport is available via an on demand bus, or try walking to the nearest main bus route. Try getting from North Fambridge to Broomfield or Maldon St Peters by public transport.
6. There is little or no sustainable employment for local residents now. Residents in this Village commute to London central or suburbs to work. There is no provision in the draft for expansion of employment opportunities. There is little to attract business to this Village, there are lots of empty industrial units in South Woodham Ferrers with no takers.
7. North Fambridge is within a flood zone, extra housing will increase surface water in the system. I have first hand experience of the flooding at my own property in the Avenue; I have had road surface water gullies over flowing and road water pouring along my drive. Flooding my Garage and driveway.
8. The sewage system is at best fragile, Anglian Water constantly attending the station to pump out when it rains. Surface water and sewage capacity is beyond the capability of the existing infrastructure.
9. North Fambridge has SSSI sites, a Ramsar site and an Essex Wildlife trust reserve. The planned development will impact on these areas.
10. New street furniture will be required impacting on the area. North Fambridge has enjoyed the dark sky for years. The Sky at night is part of the attraction of living in this village.
11. The open spaces are enjoyed as they are they are part of the fabric of this village. Your plan does not refer to the Village plan or the Village Design Statement.
12. There has always been development in this Village. The Village has increased in size over the years. I would like to know how many new properties have been built in the Village in the last 20 Years.

Yours truly,

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Bracken House

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