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Dear Sir

I am writing to object to the planned building of 75 new homes in North Fambridge.

I believe the level of the proposed development is not sustainable.

Here is a list of my objections:-

Highways

The B1012 is already a dangerous road and the turning into North Fambridge is recognised as accident reduction zone. The turning is incapable of improvement. The combination of 75 new homes in North Fambridge would seriously increase road usage and accidents.

Employment

There is very limited employment opportunity in North Fambridge. There is very little opportunity for the unskilled and they would have to seek positions outside the village involving difficult and expensive travel.

Sewerage and Surface Water

I do not think the sewerage system could cope with a further 75 new houses. Since 1974 the Parish Council / Residents have been in dialogue with MP/MDC/ Anglian Water/ OFWAT regarding the inadequate sewage system in North Fambridge. Flooding and/or backing up have occurred because of the inadequate infrastructure. Any More housing will increase pressure on an already overloaded system and will make it "not fit for purpose".

Transport

North Fambridge has a train service, which is very busy now without the new proposed homes.

Shift workers cannot use the train as the last train from Liverpool St. leaves at 22-00. Many workers from the village who go to London drive to Wickford to catch the train. Links to workplaces in Chelmsford and Basildon require a car as do those in further reaches of the county.

Flood Risk

Much of North Fambridge is within the flood zone. In addition the building of 75 Houses would increase the risk of surface water flooding even if the Sustainable Drainage Systems approach is used.

Environmental

North Fambridge has extensive SSSI sites, a Ramsar site and a Essex Wildlife Trust reserve.

The building of 75 houses would severely impact upon the wildlife in the area with the loss of agricultural land and the impact of at least 600 people on the fragile environment.

Yours

