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Subject:

Grendon PC objections to Vistry application for a "bund" at their site in Grendon

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Due to holidays, work commitments and other meetings no one from Grendon PC can speak on the above on 6th Feb. so we list our objections below.

We request that this letter is circulated to all the Planning Committee and in the interests of fairness to Vistry

As Vistry did not speak re. their application at the December meeting then our major points could not be answered. Firstly the bund is already formed in position. which appears to be a breach of their current planning permission. Secondly, what is the purpose of the bund. We are unable to find a reason in the application[s] Were it an essential part of the scheme it would surely have been in the original application.

We believe the surplus soil from construction was dumped in a convenient place and this application is purely to avoid the cost of removal of the soil from the site.

This was planned to be a play area, flat ,easily mowed and maintained.

A bund will be difficult to maintain, get overgrown to the detriment of the Watling St. residents being so close to their gardens, to say nothing of the weed seeds which will eventually blow into their land..

Also who will maintain this bund? Residents of the new estate may have to pay for grass cutting but they are unlikely to pay for the bund being so far from their properties.

Whilst test pits have currently proved negative for rubbish there are a number of witnesses who have seen it being buried. This is true in the area of no.151.

.Should this application be passed we would request that all the soil of the bund be screened for rubbish under independent supervision as any missed will eventually migrate to surface,

We have all experienced this with broken bricks etc. left in our own gardens.

The privacy of the current residents will also be violated as people will walk along the bund and be able to see over fences.

We are also concerned about the drainage ditch after the flooding of gardens in phase one [the Bellway estate] which is still not totally resolved after 5 years.

We seek reassurance that Vistry will commit to dealing with this should it arise .

We should also like to see the type of planting discussed with residents next to the bund. Several have said they don't want their gardens to end up in the shade.

In conclusion we urge you to turn down this application...It spoils the whole aspect of the area for long term resident to have this ugly mound at the end of their gardens.

This , councilors is not a case of a fence/hedges too high or a garage painted in luminous yellow...

It is an ugly sight, stretching a considerable distance and totally out of keeping with the area.

D.B.Cox [for Grendon P.C.]