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Planning Application Reference No.: 3/2026/0074

Address of Development: Land south of Elker Mews Lane Billington

Comments: Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to comment on this proposal.

I have reviewed the plans at an overview level and, while I understand and respect the need to provide new housing for this specific age group, I have serious concerns about the proposed location and its impact on the already strained local highway system.

Although the development may not directly affect traffic flow, it will certainly have an indirect impact. Anyone travelling through this area around 3:00 p.m. or before 8:30 a.m. will see that the road is heavily congested, largely due to school-related traffic. At these times, the highway is frequently jammed and operating beyond its capacity.

I strongly believe that this area has potential for future development. However, contrary to what is stated in the report, I feel that significant improvements are required before further housing is approved. In particular, better parking provision for the school is essential to reduce congestion and improve safety.

In addition, there should be a thorough review of vehicle speeds in this area. Vehicles currently approach at speeds of 30 to 40 miles per hour, which I believe is inappropriate given the surroundings. A reduction to 30 mph and 20 mph in certain sections would be more suitable in aiding the safe and sustainable development of the area.

Until these issues are properly addressed—specifically parking, traffic management, and road safety—I do not believe it is appropriate to allow further property development within the Elka area.

Thank you.

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Address of Development: Land South of Elker Meadows Billington BB7 9YB

Comments: 1. Volume of traffic - The traffic in this area is already overly congested, more properties in the area won't help the situation .
2. Environmental impact - Loss of local wildlife and inhabitants such as squirrels, rabbits, hares, bats, sheep and cows currently using the fields, will have a negative impact on the mental health and well being of the current residents in the area.
Flood Risk - Additional drainage, waste and sewerage outflow will create additional demands on the current system within the area which already struggles as numerous drainage problems have been identified on the Elker Meadows development.