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Submission: Objection

Comments: I would like to report to the local authority that I object to this planning application in its current form due to concerns around safety and parking provision. ImHayfield road is dangerous as is, hugely congested and parking extremely limited for the residents. Currently there are parked cars right the way down one side of the road at all times meaning traffic can only come from one direction at a time. There is signage at one end to give priority but this is often ignored or missed. Furthermore, because parking is already at a deficit there are often cars parked on the double yellow lines halfway up (meant to be a passing space). This creates a dangerous situation for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles.

Any of the residents will tell you that cars from different directions often meet in the middle of the road in a stand off, with multiple vehicles backed up and no option to pass or reverse back - hayfield road is infamous for this. Where this happens, there is often antisocial behaviour, arguments and road rage incidents which create an unsafe, threatening environment.

Often, vehicles will mount the narrow pavement to pass which is hugely dangerous for pedestrians and just this week a lorry doing this destroyed a wooden bollard placed to stop this (can send photo evidence if required) - this is a semi regular occurrence.

Additionally where two vehicles are approaching at either end of the road they will often speed up in an attempt to ensure the other car will allow them to pass first, this is hugely dangerous especially for pedestrians/people trying to get in or out of parked cars and extra cars/the deficit of passing places compounds this.

The road is already hugely congested with a deficit of parking for existing residents. Having to park 100m or so away from home is part and parcel of living on hayfield road and is accepted and reflected in house prices (for those without a parking space) but the proposed application (which could easily mean an extra 12 cars needing provision) could mean a much longer walk to the front door and this is not ideal with 3 children in tow especially given the high speeds, congestion and resulting poor visibility.

We understand the need for more homes to be built and would support this with amendments that took into account the current and increased risks to safety. E.g:

-Increased parking provision in the plans

- Residents parking scheme implemented
- Possible conversion to a one way street or
- Improved signage explaining right of way

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