

Town Council meeting held on the 10th March 2022.

Concerns raised by the residents.

Resident 1

- Major flooding concerns
- Major drainage concerns
- The capacity of the Starston Beck
- NSFA – Anglia water – Water treatment plants are confirmed as dry and Ok when they are not
- Redenhall water treatment plant is inadequate
- Doctors' surgery with 8,000 patients, 3.5 doctors = 256 patients per doctor

Resident 2

- In the consultation report, the planning should be modified to include solar panels, approximate cost 3000 pound per installation with five to eight years rejuvenation
- The harvesting of rainwater
- Anglia waters reports confirming that Harleston's water treatment plant is adequate is not the case.
- A new upgraded water treatment works is required as there are health risks into Starston Beck
- The town currently has and available second surgery ready for use
- Mendham lane pinch point, create a bottleneck this is not an area to put any additional traffic through
- Public conveniences such as possible additional transport for example Halesworth provide a border hopper around the town. Norfolk County Council should look to subsidise additional transport requirements.

Resident 3

- Major concerns regarding the impact on the medical practises including the dentist
- The requirement for a formal response from these services on how they will deal with additional demand.

Resident 4

- Very unhappy that they were not made aware of this evening's meeting
- Lack of communication to residence
- The application states it is an easy walk from the development to the town centre- this is not the case
- It is an ill-conceived scheme of which should be radically pulled up or stopped
- Everyone is against the development
- Why is the temporary access from the A143 not permanent?
- How will the buses access the development?
- Traffic access should be from the Needham roundabout

Resident 5

- Currently lives on Mendham Lane and within 18 months now huge development
- Only two entrances who create bottlenecks and an increase in traffic of 600 to 800 cars
- Spoiling the identity of a unique market town
- Doctors and dentist and other services will not be adequate
- Who green areas and spaces are being used up for development
- It will be years of heavy traffic whilst the development is taking place

Resident 6

- A survey of the industrial estate should take place as the access for lorries is very poor which will cause displacement of business
- There are no bungalows shown on the development plans
- There is confusion on the comments
- Another exit/entrance from the A143 is required
- Traffic access should be from the Needham roundabout

Resident 7

- Concerns regarding Mendham Lane pinch point
- A one-way system into town should be pressed to avoid using a shortcut to Lidl's through the town

- Community land shown is on the edge of the bypass which is badly located and is not accessible through a housing estate which is adjacent to the allotments which is supposed to be for community use
- The houses should be pushed back towards the bypass
- A proper community centre next to the bypass is what the town needs
- Lidl's car park to be used by the community
- The community land should be set at the front which should be recited so it's accessible without disturbing residents
- No persimmon homes

Resident 8

- Suggested that the football club are rehoused along with the community centre in the new development
- Walking routes into town need enhancing would this be down to the developer or Norfolk County Council highways team
- Easy and better cyclist routes are required
- The upper part of Mendham into Briar Road down Briar Walk and into Old Market Place could be a joined-up walking and cycling route
- Extra care flats are they in and above the total – confirming 451 houses in total
- The economy of Harleston income per household is relatively low extra care bungalows adding to the figure of affordable housing
- This will not generate income from the residents that Harleston needs
- This development is in the greater Norwich local plan which is the total number of houses until 2038
- Harleston needs development
- Shuttle bus like a border hopper should be considered as in Halesworth
- The wishes and desires don't count in planning law