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Dear Mr Wordsworth

We have lived on Cuffley Hill for over 30 years when we first lived here there was such a variety on of wildlife that came into our garden. We had nesting hedgehogs and all sorts of different birds. I cant remember when I last saw a sparrow or a blackbird, and hedgehogs not for the least 5 years.. The overdevelopment of the land in Goffs Oak has driven these animals out. The Fairleads is now one of the few places they have left to breed and live in peace. Its development would cause further ruin to the biodiversity of the areaWe have lived on Cuffley Hill for over 30 years when we first lived here there was such a variety on of wildlife that came into our garden. We had nesting hedgehogs and all sorts of different birds. I cant remember when I last saw a sparrow or a blackbird, and hedgehogs not for the least 5 years.. The overdevelopment of the land in Goffs Oak has driven these animals out. The Fairleads is now one of the few places they have left to breed and live in peace. Its development would cause further ruin to the biodiversity of the area.

This proposal of 58 dwellings a far exceeds the indicative numbers in the local plan and given that a huge number of other dwellings have been and are still being built off of Cuffley Hill this would further intensify the problems we are currently facing and will face in the further if this proposal goes ahead.

Currently local children cannot access local schools senior and primary many parents are having to drive outside of Goffs Oak for primary and even further for senior school. More houses will bring more children where will they all go to school. This will further add to the now gridlock roads during the school run.

More houses mean more traffic. The roads are gridlocked at school run times currently. Even in so called down time it can take up to 5mins to pull out onto Cuffley Hill from Robinson Ave. Cuffley Hill is used as a rat run for people trying to by pass the A10 and so is Robinson Ave for people trying to bypass the gridlocks on Cuffley Hill. The road through Goffs Oak is constantly busy throughout the day huge lorries also now use it. It's a disaster waiting to happen at the mini roundabout where Newgatestreet Rd joins Cuffley Hill. The increase in pollution is also another major problem that is not being addressed

You currently cannot get a GPs appointment for at least 3-4 weeks due to the numbers now having to be registered with the practice as I was told when trying to make an appointment unless its urgent then they will see you in 2 weeks. More houses will mean more people, the GPS will not be able to cope with the numbers. People will be forced to go to A&E which we all know are stretched way beyond capacity.

If this development is allowed to go ahead it will cause all the problems listed above to become even worse. For the residents of Goffs Oak there seems no let up from building on every piece of land in and around it without a thought or care for the current residents or how schools, Dr and roads will cope with it all or the where the remaining wildlife will be able to thrive.

YOU may well call us NIMBs, but we have been living amongst a building site for the last few years enough is enough for Goffs Oak.

Sue and Steve Doyle

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