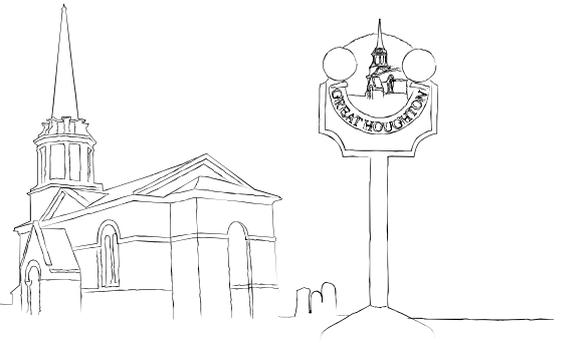


# Great Houghton

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## **Re: N/2017/1369 – Outline Planning Permission land north of Newport Pagnell Road (Hampton Green)**

I write on behalf of Great Houghton Parish Council and in response to the above application for outline planning permission.

The parish council is aware of views expressed by Daniel Callis, Principle Planning Officer, South Northamptonshire Council, regarding this application.

The Parish Council has little doubt that the application may well be approved, however they are gravely concerned with the adverse impact that such a large development will have on the village and its residents due to anticipated substantial increase in vehicles and traffic movements on a road leading from the estate (The Green) and through the village (High Street) onto the main A428 Bedford Road. The current road into/through the village is clearly incapable of accommodating such a huge additional traffic flow, which if permitted is likely to result in a number of accidents, injuries and damage as well as considerable traffic congestion.

The council is therefore particularly concerned with the proposed exit from the site as shown on the Indicative Master Plan (4.6). The Council seeks that this proposed exit route from the site leading onto The Green be completely omitted.

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The proposed 525 houses will undoubtedly possess some 1100/1500 vehicles, and as a consequence, several thousand vehicle movements per Diem.

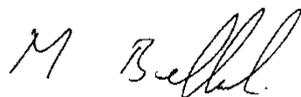
In parallel with seeking that the planners omit the exit road. The council also seeks, full and immediate consultation with NCC Highways, Highways England and both SNC and NBC representatives, to establish the necessary off-site highway improvements required by this development, as referred to by the SNC Principle Planning Officer.

The parish council would seek that these improvements include traffic calming installations:

- Along the length of The Green, and the High Street
- Substantial improvement and upgrading of its junction with the A428 Bedford Road
- The introduction of a 7.5 tonne weight restriction along these roads between the Bedford Road and the Newport Pagnell Road.
- Introduction of a 40mph speed limit along the A428 between the little Houghton junction and the Brackmills roundabout.
- Further development of the existing National Cycleway (6) to link from the site, through the village and Bedford Road destinations.

The Parish Council believes that these measures should be funded entirely via a significant 'planning gain' from the developers and by way of a section 106 agreement.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Bell'.

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SNC Cllr E Bowen  
NBC Cllr P Flavell  
SNC Principle Planning Officer D Callis