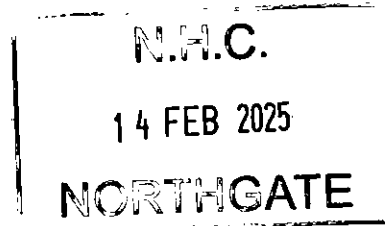


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Re: Ref 24/02780/RM

Dear Shaun,

Thank you for your letter dated 15/1/25 (received 20/1/25) re: proposed housing to be built above the Rosehill Estate. I would like to know why, if the application to go ahead with the proposal has not yet been approved, the hedges and trees have already been ripped out in places along the Stotfold Road?

Traffic movement has been increasing due to many new housing developments already taken place along the A1-507 corridor and locally. It has already reached capacity.

We all care about the environment and are sad to see many metres of trees and hedgerows ripped out which were potential homes for wildlife. These are vital to the health of the planet, and which I hope will not happen to the existing trees on site.

Flooding is a problem along the Stotfold Road and with the increasing severity of storms, no amount of drainage will cope if fields are cemented, tarmaced and block-paved over.

The pollution from vehicle fumes is already high in places and the additional volume from an extra 700 houses will have a detrimental effect on the health and well being of residents, especially where traffic is queued up or slowed down.

The Rosehill Estate will no doubt become a "rat-run" for traffic. Most of the houses being built will have at least

two cars and are intended for the rich moving into the area from towns, and not for local people, most of whom starting out to buy property can not afford to do so.

Residents from towns seem to have very little knowledge or understanding of how the countryside works, often don't care about it or recognise its vital importance. Many local people I talk to are opposed to the destruction of good arable fields and to the countryside, and of the harmful increase in the volume of traffic.

Thank you for reading this letter.

Yours sincerely,

D. Titt (Mr.)

