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5/2022/0599: alteration to original application

I strongly object to the alteration of the submitted plans to allow the loss of the grass verge alongside 106 High Street.

The amended plans would further restrict the space available for parking and safely manoeuvring within the car parking area. With children crossing over the narrowed space, even alongside guardians, and with cars passing through the site for access to the proposed houses this would become an extremely hazardous area. The positioning of the pavements, particularly with the sight restrictions imposed by the central old air raid shelter, do not appear to provide any significant safety for children or a safe route to cars or beyond. Drive over pavements in themselves are a safety hazard.

If this becomes an access road to a housing development there will be serious problems with speed of passing cars. Cars passing in both directions would be chaotic at best and obviously dangerous when cars are also parked in the area.

This grass verge provides a valuable natural habitat for wildlife of many species, protecting them from harm resulting from the car movements within this car park and allowing safe movement through the area. This strip acts as a corridor linking different valuable habitats.

Access to the Football Club car park would become extremely difficult especially because of its narrow entrance and would be near impossible if cars are parked inappropriately outside of it.

Loss of even more parking space further adds to the parking difficulties around the school and to the danger posed by excessive traffic along the High Street.

The loss of a lamp post in a dimly lit car park make the area less safe at night.

I urge you to reject this application in entirety.

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