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Dear sirs

Re open hearing 22/10/24 representation as requested by planning inspector

Name - Suman Antcliffe

My husband and I [REDACTED] live on [REDACTED], Coton in the elms and wish to make the following points -

- Greenacre park is accessed from Church street and is made up of park homes with elderly residents. There are 75 residents [REDACTED] on Greenacre as per the 2022 electoral register .

Church Croft also off church street has bungalows and again residents are elderly. The residents in both areas are active members of the church and they attend events at the church.

In addition between 30 to 40 [REDACTED] go to the warm hub community cafe on Wednesday mornings. The majority come from Greenacre and Church Croft

A record of numbers is kept for funding purposes. The cafe is in the community centre on Elms road .

It provides free refreshments ,a warm space ,an opportunity to meet others , entertainment plus visits eg from community police and fire service. It runs from the beginning of September to the end of May .

In a survey people said their main reason for coming to the cafe was to combat loneliness. To get to the church and the community center people from Greenacre have to cross Church street .

They often have mobility issues and use aids to walk. In addition in several places on church street including to the left of my property the pavement disappears.

When I step out of my house to walk downhill I just walk on the road until I get to the pavement again. At the moment we get very little traffic so it's fairly safe .

We often go in that direction to access Coton woods so we can go walking [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] .

There is no shop in Coton in the elms .If we need just a few items we prefer to walk to the co op in Rosliston rather than drive particularly in fog ice and snow when driving along our lanes can be unsafe .

To do that we walk the other direction up church street towards Walton past the last house

on the left and out of the village to get to the footpath.

There is no pavement in this section so we keep a close eye on traffic and often have to jump on to the bank as generally cars come down too fast in that section of the road as it's out of the village.

Add lorries to the mix and it would feel extremely unsafe . The playground and football field is also on church street so children need to be able to cross this road safely.

In addition we see children practicing on their bikes and balance bikes on the road.

[REDACTED]

If lorries start going down roads in the village they are going to lose the little independence and freedom they have to enjoy just being outdoors in the village.

There is a primary school on Elmslea road and obviously a lot of children walk to and from school. Parents and grandparents [REDACTED] like to take young grandchildren in prams . [REDACTED] As stated before the pavements do disappear so it's common for people to push prams on the road .

Another problem is there are houses with no drives or garages so cars are parked on the road .

Turning into Church street from Elms road can be dangerous with reduced visibility on both sides - on the right due to the bend in the road and on the left due to parked cars .

My husband is also a cyclist and again prefers to cycle from home rather than using the car . Our area is generally very popular with cyclists. Favourite stops for cyclists are the cafe in the forestry centre in Rosliston and the cafe on the road towards Overseal .

To conclude we are concerned about the impact lorries will have on all residents both young and old and the affect on pedestrians, cyclists and equestrians .

Yours faithfully

Mrs Suman Antcliffe.