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The Planning Inspectorate

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2 The Square Our Reference: N/A see below

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Our Reference's:

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Your Reference: TRO10044

Application by Highways England for an Order Granting Development Consent for the A428 Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet Road Improvement Scheme - Direct Consent Order starting Tuesday 30th November 2021 and ending Thursday 2nd December 2021.

We would first like to thank The Planning Inspectorate for allowing our late submission as we had not had any notification other than from a third party over the weekend. We are not experienced in how to raise an objection, but are just grateful you have acknowledged and noted it for reference could we please add a second submission as below

Compulsary Acquisition Hearing 2 (CAH2)

We **OBJECT** to the application by Highways England for an Order Granting Development Consent for the A428 Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet Road Improvement Scheme. In the past we have been privy to a few restructurings of The Black Cat Roundabout all of which have had major flaws and dangerous consequences, particularly to ourselves. The current roundabout causes a lot of confusion and danger, and we fully understand the need for improvements.

We do not accept that the majority of people chose 'Option C' and we were informed from a very early stage by two different sources that 'Option C' was always the preferred route of the Highways Agency/Highways England and now National Highways.

At the beginning of this scheme, 'Option A' appeared to give all the necessary safety aspects and cost implications. However, we are now where we are and we fully accepted that a CPO would be granted if required. In doing so we understood that we would receive as near as possible a like for like site and financially no worse off. This has not been the case and the present situation defies belief. The period from the very first meeting until now has been cruel, inhumane and unjust. At the very least we appear to have had no rights and any financial consideration was subject to the Highways approval. They appeared to be Judge, Jury and Executioner at all times. We have lost a considerable amount not only of our life but also financially. We have been fearful of all or any repercussions. Their response as professionals has been inadequate. We as individuals are in a situation that very few people suffer and we have relied on their expertise, The Highways representative unfortunately had no greater experience than ourselves.

Our objections are as follows

Our [REDACTED]

The destruction of our past, present and future

Being of a mainly leasehold option spread over a large area against a contained fully freehold existing site.

The loss of our pension which would equate we believe about [REDACTED]

Breaking a promise to our grandchildren.

Approximately my [REDACTED] 30 years ago was based on a valuation of the site of [REDACTED] the bank at the time saw sufficient site value to allow us a commercial mortgage well in excess of a [REDACTED] pounds. We are amazed the VOA see such little value in our property. Dunstable Glass at the time also offered [REDACTED] pounds.

In conclusion all of the above plus situations are either directly or indirectly a result of this proposal. We would gladly expand any of the above statements. We feel that the one cap fits all remedy which has been adopted is far from

acceptable. We had always hoped that we would have been allowed free of any restrictions an independent expert to explain and present our case. We have little time and absolutely no possibility of fulfilling any of the demands and restriction placed upon us. We would like the opportunity to be able to respond to all and every communication from interested parties good or bad.

Yours faithfully

Ken & Pat Chamberlain

