

## **MIAG and Mcl PC written submissions from oral presentation;**

### **Issue Specific Hearings;**

**1<sup>st</sup> March, 2023 (am);**

### **Cultural Heritage**

#### **Representations made by Andrew Harding;**

1. Despite repeated assurances from NH, it is clear that the 1.6km border for investigation of potential damage and threat to wildlife means that Messing has been ignored. This is an egregious abrogation of the collateral damage caused by NH plan. They consistently fail to take responsibility for this;

2. From the junction of Kelvedon Road with Inworth Road the measurements are:

1.63 km to the edge of the cemetery at the entrance to the village (opposite School Road);

1.83 km to the centre of the cemetery in front of All Saints Church;

1.78 km to the War Memorial;

1.91 km to the front of The Old Crown.

This justification for not investigating the destruction of the village of Messing and the SOAEL levels reaching severe on 71 houses, is therefore based on the difference of just 3m to the village cemetery boundary, and 31m to the heart of the Conservation area.

It should also be noted that houses on Kelvedon road, within 250m of the proposed NH roundabout spur are within the curtilage of Messing, pay its taxes and are 'part of the village'.

3. There is an 11<sup>th</sup> Century church, originally built in the village which was founded in the 800's. The church is surrounded by a wall which is actually on the road, not 'near the road' as stated by NH (Mr State). EH have used a photograph of our church on their report to further highlight the nature of this ancient building;

4. The core of the village is a conservation area with several listed properties. No-one from NH has considered it important to visit the site and wilfully disregarded commentary about vibration damage.

MIAG and Mcl PC do not believe that NH even knew there was a conservation area;

5. The interjection from ECC Built Heritage (Mr D Sorapure), endorsed and supported the concerns expressed about the Messing village loss and destruction of its 'cultural fibre';

6. Commentary was made about major cracks caused by vibration and the proximity to the road. In several instances about one brick (ancient footings) width from the highway itself;

7. Concerns were expressed about the Church wall and village war memorial in terms of proximity to the road but also, and most significantly, as Swept Path analysis shows this short stretch of The

Street to be one of the most exposed roads to on coming facing traffic difficulties, exacerbated by constant 'on road' parking;

8. The meeting was reminded that Mr Sate had confirmed that 71 properties in Messing would be severely and adversely affected by noise (SOAEL), as a result of the NH proposal. This is half of the village and all houses on all roads except a small portion of School Road;

9. NH were without their expert in these matters. No answers of any meaningful value were proffered by NH. Such comments as were made had no merit;

1. Overview of properties within 1.6km and within Messing curtilage;



## 2. Detailed view