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To whom it may concern,

I would like to register my strong objection to this project.

There are already several such freight hubs within a small radius of this proposal, at East Midlands Airport, Dirft further along the A5, Warwick parkway, all with considerably better access roads and further away from residential villages.

The local road infrastructure is not designed for such an increase in capacity. At the point the M69 was built in the late 1960's /70's the decision was made not to add the extra slip road because the local roads couldn't handle the expected volume and this has only increased in the intervening years. The suggested A5 route is a single carriageway and is already snarled up at many times of the day.

I am a resident in the local village of Sapcote and the key word here is village. The only road through has a popular garden centre which leads to queuing traffic at key periods of the year, a traffic calming chicane, a sharp dog leg bend, many houses along the road with on road parking, the local village park with children's play area and the village shop, to name a few and the suggested number of HGV's that would be using this road and the congestion this could cause is a serious cause for concern not least the increased risk of accidents for pedestrians and motorists alike.

There is a significant housing project planned for the edge of the village which will also further increase the volume of traffic.

The rail line mentioned is also a busy line, there are traffic crossings across the line, the most significant at Narborough which is again a busy village with significant housing projects planned for the vicinity the congestion caused by the need to shut the roads even more frequently would cause gridlock to the surrounding villages.

Finally Burbage Outwoods, the planned location for this build is a local beauty spot and a hive of wildlife, the thought of the destruction on the environment is quite heartbreaking for the community and the rise in local flooding we have seen over the last few years would only be exacerbated by the loss of the trees and vegetation.

This project is ill conceived by those who have no knowledge or consideration for the local area or its residents and I feel strongly that as such it should not be granted.

Many thanks for reading.

Kind regards

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