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I received notification regarding the above a few days ago. I was surprised and concerned that this matter is still ongoing.

I wrote a while ago, as did many local people, expressing shock that the Council was rethinking giving approval for the Wells Farm Development. This matter had been voted on a while ago and the local people voted that this development should not take place. At that time good reasons were given for the people's decision. There is now an even stronger reason for this development of Wells Farm to be abandoned and this is due to all the building taking place in Cuffley near the play and sports areas along Northaw Road East which in itself will cause many problems of danger, traffic chaos and pollution.

I always understood the Welhat Council had their local residents at the heart of all their planning operations. However they have proved once again that they cannot be trusted as the local people - who I would remind you, put you the Councillors in office. We trusted you to understand our concerns which was a misplaced trust. We voted, very definitely, that the Wells Farm area should not be developed and now you, the Councillors, are doing your very best to overturn the people's vote. This does not sound like the UK country I have always lived in. This is more like a dictatorship and is totally out of order. The objection was very strong but you saw fit to overrule it as it did not fit in

with your desires, whatever they might be.

The building now going on in Cuffley along Northaw Road East is enough for this area. Very often traffic is queueing along this road, through Cuffley Village and up through Goffs Oak . This is dangerous to pedestrians and everyone else and is also causing a great deal of pollution. We are all having to believe in Global Warming but it seems this can be ignored by Councillors when there must be something to urge them to override their constituents. The majority vote was against this proposed development of Wells Farm, so why is the matter still being pursued by the Councillors at Welwyn?

I think it is very necessary for the Councillors to stop wasting money with all these pointless meetings and search their consciences so that they do the right thing on this occasion and knock the whole idea of this development on the head once and for all.

Signed in grave concern

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