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Richard

FYI in case no one else has forwarded this.
Tony

From: J [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 December 2010 19:05
To: Tony Skottowe; Fiona Thomson; Helen Bromley
Subject: "Proposed Development at Broadwater Road"

I am writing to you as my ward councillors because I want you to know how utterly opposed I am to the proposed Development at the old Cereal Partners site by Tesco's regeneration arm, Spenhill. We need another superstore this close to the town centre like a hole in the head. The Garden City already has excellent shopping facilities, soon to be complemented by the new Sainsbury's store. We have a Tesco's superstore no great distance away. The small shops which give the existing town centre so much of its character are already under threat. This will be the last nail in their coffin. That side of the railway line has always been scheduled for industrial and commercial, non-retail use and that is the way it should remain. If it is argued that there is sufficient employment provision already then why not try a dollop of much needed affordable housing? I am not remotely interested in the bribe of the swimming pool and/or other leisure cum open space facilities. No doubt Tesco will be only too glad to pay the building costs as a cheap way of discharging its statutory obligations as regards planning gain. Who will pay the running costs? I am sure that as my councillors you will not be so easily gulled. At a time when every council must be looking at some very painful future cuts any scheme which has the potential to add to the burden on the public purse in future years must surely be ruled out completely. Above all anyone who loves Welwyn Garden City will not want its unique character ruined by a development which will stab at its heart and which has no serious merit. I urge you to do whatever you can to prevent it. It would take a lot to make me vote Labour but if the present council permits this development to go ahead I shall no longer want to support any councillors who have had any hand in it or have failed to do their utmost to prevent it. It may be argued that if permission is refused Tesco will only appeal. I say bring it on.

Please make sure my objection is noted.

[REDACTED]
33, Valley Road, Welwyn Garden City

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