



A10 Disruption

Mereham raises its ugly head

Developer Multiplex Stannifer has appealed against the planning decisions of East Cambs. District Council and South Cambs. District Council to reject the proposed Mereham development and associated changes to the A10. The Public Inquiry has already lasted 6 weeks. Because Multiplex Stannifer have again changed their plans for the A10, the Inspector ordered re-advertising of the plans so that the public could be invited to comment before 6th December on the latest proposals. We need as many people as possible to tell the Inspector what they think about these latest plans for the A10 which are an integral part of the proposal by this Australian development company build a town as big as Ely between Stretham and Wilburton. Please write to the Inspector to tell him what you think of the latest A10 plans, how they will affect you, how they will affect the flow of traffic on the A10, how they will affect the adjoining properties and surrounding countryside and whether you believe these proposals are an improvement or a retrograde step. Please come to the now extended Inquiry in December (17th to 20th) to register your feelings, even if you don't speak.

This affects you - make sure you have your say

Mereham Summary

The proposed location of the Mereham Development is south of the A1123, west of the A10, east of the Twentypence Road and north of the Great Ouse between Stretham and Wilburton.

The outline planning application was for a new settlement comprising 5,000 (now increased to 5,100) homes, up to 8,000 sq. metres of retail and related uses and up to approx. 45,000 sq. metres for employment & supporting leisure, community and education uses; and infrastructure including highway works to the A10.

East Cambridgeshire District Council refused planning permission for the Mereham development on 4th January 2006. South Cambridgeshire has withheld planning permission for the associated changes to the A10

Mereham Campaign

An independent campaign group called "Say No To Mereham" has been formed to fight the Multiplex appeal at the Public Inquiry. It is funded by donation and donations cheques payable to "Say No To Mereham" should be forwarded to Julie Parr at 33 Station Road, Haddenham, or to Gareth Wilson at 2 Station Road, Haddenham. Seventy three people have spoken against the plans at the Public Inquiry. Each of the developer's witnesses has been questioned by one or more of our local experts as well as the Councils'. A petition has been produced and presented to the Inspector with 7,846 signatures. However we intend to continue collecting signatures to add to those already handed into the Inspector until he reports to the Secretary of State in the Spring. We need to show Hazel Blears the overwhelming feeling of the people who

live in this area. If you have not yet signed you can do so online or at post offices and local shops

PUBLIC NOTICE – A10 PLANS

Town And Country Planning Act 1990. Appeal by Stannifer Developments Ltd.

Proposed highway improvements to A10 between A14 Milton Junction and River Great Ouse, in the parishes of Milton, Landbeach and Waterbeach.

Further drawings are to be considered as part of this appeal. **These include the introduction of bus lanes and bus priority measures on the A10; a right turn ban from the A10 southbound to Green End, Landbeach; and other cycleway/footway improvements.**

Members of the public may inspect copies of the drawings at Development Services, South Cambridgeshire District Council, Cambourne Business Park, Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 6EA, at the Planning Department, East Cambridgeshire District Council, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely, Cambridge, CB7 4PL and the Haddenham Library, Station Road, Haddenham, Cambridge CB6 3XD during normal library hours.

Anyone who wishes to make representations about the proposals should do so in writing within 14 days of the date of this notice. (dated 22 November 2007)

Please quote the reference **APP/W0530/A/06/2014216** and send to the following address:

Persona Associates Ltd, West Point, Springfield Road, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 2PD. Email: LynetteDuncan@personaassociates.co.uk

SUMMARY OF THE LATEST CHANGES TO THE A10 PLANS

Original changes to widen carriageway to 10mtrs from new roundabout at Stretham to Denny End Junction retained. No right turn at Green End introduced. New southbound bus lane introduced about 1200m north of Denny End traffic lights to allow bus priority when lights re-phased to hold up other traffic. Change calculated to establish a 193 car queue each morning north of Denny End. The purpose of this is to filter traffic south at an acceptable rate onto the A14 junction at Milton and to 'encourage' car drivers to use the bus. Another anticipated effect of this will be a 61% increase in traffic on the B1049 and a 47% increase on the A1123. Traffic lights at Slap-up junction. Existing carriage way width to be retained from Denny End to Ely Road Milton. At Ely Road Milton, left-hand filter into Milton for buses only. Traffic lights to let north-bound buses out of Milton. Bus lane introduced just north of Landbeach junction up to Milton A14 roundabout. Carriageway widening north and south next to bus lane. New foot bridge at Butt Lane. Traffic lights at Cambridge Road (Milton) junction with A14 roundabout and traffic lights at roundabout by Tesco entrance Cambridge Road Milton.

FORMAT FOR LETTER OF OBJECTION TO THE A10 PLANS

The following is a suggested format for a Letter of Objection to the latest A10 Plans.

**MR RICHARD OGIER
THE PLANNING INSPECTORATE,
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TEMPLE QUAY HOUSE,
2 THE SQUARE,
TEMPLE QUAY,
BRISTOL,
BS1 6PN**

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**APPEALS BY STANNIFER DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED
(PROPOSED MEREHAM DEVELOPMENT)
(REF. APP/W0530/A/06/2014216)**

**PROPOSED HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO A10 BETWEEN A14 MILTON JUNCTION AND RIVER GREAT OUSE, IN THE
PARISHES OF MILTON, LANDBEACH AND WATERBEACH.**

Dear Sir,

I have examined the latest proposed changes to the A10 arising from the proposed Mereham development.

These plans will affect my property as follows:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

I object to the changes listed above which directly affect my property.

Contrary to Multiplex Stannifer's predictions, these proposals together with the additional traffic from the Mereham development will cause unacceptable additional traffic hold-ups on the A10, particularly at the actual peak hours of 07.00-08.30hrs and 16.30 -18.00hrs. I do not believe there will be sufficient bus ridership from Mereham to Cambridge to negate the traffic effects of the increased number of people travelling to and from Cambridge.

I believe that the proposals will lead to an increased accident rate on the A10, particularly accidents caused by ill-judged overtaking and driver frustration.

The transfer of traffic to alternative routes, the A1123 and the B1049 will cause unacceptable traffic levels on those roads with significant reduction in the quality of life in those villages that they pass through and significant increase in the accident rates on those roads, particularly the B1049 which already has a relatively high accident rate.

Replacement of the Jane Coston cycle and foot bridge at Milton with a combined bus, cycle and foot bridge will reduce safety for pedestrians and cyclists and make the bridge impossible to use for wheelchair users.

Yours faithfully,
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