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Dear Sir/Madam,

With reference to 21.1, I am shocked by the level of development all over the countryside of identical, ugly shoe-box houses that are covering the farmland at an alarming rate. Why are flats not being built as starter homes? That are affordable, not subsidized. Also, why are all the new houses that are being built, not eco houses with solar panels, water harvesting etc?

22. Talks about "supply of land" – Why is greenbelt being used and all the farmland? We have now left the EU and surely preserving our farmland should be a high priority.

23. Talks about site selection – it seems that this is decided by what land we can get hold of – anything goes. There has been no consideration of the bird habitats that are being destroyed. We have corn bunting, grey partridge and sky larks (All on the Red list of endangered species) resident on the farm land in Baldock that is under threat of development and their habitat will be destroyed, never to return!

The traffic surveys are done once the traffic lights have been adjusted and the results are inaccurate. The only time the traffic flows smoothly is when a survey is taking place!

27. The available water is also an issue. Ivel Springs used to flow regularly – it is now dry most of the time. How will Anglia water have enough water to supply all the needs of the new developments? Additionally, the drains struggle to cope with the existing houses!

Yours sincerely

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