

Dear Sir.

Having tried five times over the past week to contact the "Planning Applications Web Site" and been told each time that:- "We are sorry, but the service you require has been interrupted by a Technical Fault" I have resorted to the old fashioned letter!

*Proposed Housing Developments off Red Lane, Appleton. (R18/105, R18/003)*

*Red Lane is congested as things stand at the moment, often used as a bypass by traffic from the West (A56) wishing to avoid Stockton Heath to gain access to the A49 Southbound and vice versa.*

*It is also heavily used during school times by traffic bringing and collecting children to and from Broomfield Schools, also by those walking. A safety concern.*

*The additional housing in Field Lane added traffic to an already busy Red Lane.*

*Red Lane Bridge was built in the days of horses and carts; it is narrow, has a weight restriction and in Winter the "Northern steeper Approach" can be very icy. There have been several "shunts."*

*Red Lane is itself steep and has two "Pinch Points" One guarded by "Give Way to Oncoming Traffic" sign, often ignored and within it a blind junction with Birchdale Road controlled by a mirror. The other bounded on one side by a high sandstone wall and on the other by paths from housing leading directly onto the Road.*

*Can this lane cope with additional traffic?*

*The Bridleway/ Footpath a local amenity used by walkers, cyclists, children and horse riders wishing to escape the urban sprawl and, forming part of the Delamere Way will this disappear surrounded by housing?*

*Will the proposed housing access onto Red Lane with yet another junction or will it join Hough Lane, again a road not suitable for additional traffic?*

*Some time ago a pipe leading from the Reservoir on Firs Lane fractured above Hillside Farm, sending gallons of water and stone into the yard of the farm below: is it a good idea to build housing below the reservoir with the potential for this to happen again? I think not.*

*Red Lane joins on its North Side, Whitefield Road at the junction with Belvoir Road and Westbourne Road: Whitefield Road often already congested by parked cars on both sides of the carriage way.*

*All this development throws yet more traffic Northbound onto the three swing bridges and the weight restricted Cantilever Bridge.*

*I remain, Yours Faithfully,*

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