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Dear Sir,

Application No CA07/01795/KIN: Land At Cornerways, Black Robin Lane, Kingston.

We write to object to the Planning Application to build a bungalow in the garden of Cornerways, Black Robin Lane. This is a country lane outside the village envelope and conservation area of Kingston. Many previous applications have been rejected for housing in the Lane and its designation has prevented infill. Had infill occurred, it would have become an urban street in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. There have been several applications by previous owners of Cornerways – all rejected on the basis of preventing infill. **We ask that the status of the Lane be respected and the principle of no-infill maintained.** Should planning permission be secured, a further 5 or 6 applications would be forthcoming and most difficult to reject, thus completing the infill on the north side and the upper end of the south side of the Lane. **We ask you to preclude further, similar applications.**

Black Robin Lane is a country lane with direct access to the A2 and, as a result there is a constant stream of speeding traffic – becoming at time a rat-run. This is a main access route into the Elham Valley for normal vehicles but, specifically, also for emergency vehicles. Previously, planning applications have been rejected as they have involved additional access points onto the Lane. Increased access onto a country lane connected to the A2 trunk road was regarded as unacceptable. This particular access is not only additional but it is at the upper end of the Lane almost adjacent to the A2 where vehicles exit at speed. **We ask that the application be rejected and further access to a well used country lane denied.** Approval would mean a rash of similar applications, difficult if not impossible to refuse, with significant further access points to a country lane connecting to the A2 trunk road.

To prevent increasing traffic flow, access points and risk on the Lane and to maintain the position and confirm that this is a country lane where infill should not be acceptable, we ask you to reject this application.

Yours truly,



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