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As local residents of Old Hackney Lane we wish to give our support to the OHL traffic campaign. Having lived on or in near vicinity for many, many years we have seen the increase in the usage of the lane. The surface of the road and paths have always been poor.

In more recent years with the daily delivery vans/lorries and parked vehicles on the lane traffic problems have become much worse.

We are all advised to exercise and live well - not possible in OHL as footpaths are so uneven, not wide enough in many places causing pedestrians to virtually step into the road (pity the mother's with pushchairs/toddlers or anyone with disability and/or wheelchair).

The recent building of 9 properties has caused chaos and disruption and any further building on the lane is unimaginable.

If plans to build more houses go ahead then we have the prospect of another 100 or so cars and families using the lane at peak times. This will put more people at risk on Old Hackney Lane. The infrastructure cannot cope now.

The A6/Old Hackney Lane junction is dangerous with vehicles entering the lane far too fast - hazardous for both people and cars, especially if you are exiting Darley House Estate.

In places the lane is not wide enough for 2 vehicles to pass and vehicles regularly mount the pavement to get through.

Some sort of demarcation or traffic calming system is needed in the narrowest parts and safe crossing places marked to protect children and public alike.

The new houses planned next to Darley House Estate will increase all the above problems and we will all lose the character of the area not to mention all the light and noise pollution the present residents will experience particularly as the new houses will be alongside Bungalows that have always had open views and all the birds/wildlife (newts, bats, hedgehogs etc) in the adjoining fields that will be forced out of the area.

The numerous Brownfield sites around should be a priority and Greenfield sites used as a last resort.

Old Hackney Lane cannot sustain any more Traffic or Housing.
Our Countryside needs Protection, NOT Destruction.