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I am sending this email to highlight my concerns regarding the proposed development of Balderstone Fields and the proposed amendments to the original application.
The proposed exit on to Hepworth Lane from the proposed estate is ridiculous. The exit will join Hepworth Lane at its narrowest point which is really only suitable for one way traffic. Currently if cars travel both ways on this stretch of the lane is to use the entrance to Hepworth Drive to create a passing point. If the there is more than one car coming each way it blocks the road as there is little room to allow cars to pass. This often means that people have to reverse back out onto the very busy Flash Lane as it bends into Shillbank or reverse back up Hepworth Lane.
If any light goods vehicles or delivery vans are on this stretch of Hepworth Lane passing is impossible. This means that drivers have no alternative but to drive around vis Wellhouse Lane and enter Hepworth Lane by Driving down to wrong way on the one way stretch of the road.
During school term time there is a lot of pedestrians with children walking up and down the lane resulting in vehicles having to stop to allow them to pass safely.
Quite often there are residents or their visitors parked vehicles parked outside their homes. This will be directly opposite the e if from the proposed estate, making if even more hazardous.
Any prohibition of parking on Hepworth Lane will only move the vehicles to Hepworth Close and Hepworth Drive, which already happens at school pickup times.
I can only reiterate that Hepworth Lane is totally unsuitable to handle the increased volume of additional traffic from the proposed exit from proposed Bellway site.
Regards

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