

Jonathan Forgham, Independent

6 Chapel Lane, Little Hadham, Ware, Hertfordshire

Jonathan Forgham, Independent candidate for East Herts District Council, Little Hadham Ward is fully opposed to the development of Harlow North.

'I feel that the infrastructure of the district would not be able to deal with the massive increase in traffic movement, especially during rush hour periods. With congestion comes 'rat running' and this would lead to more congestion, constant speeding and general upheaval to the running of the local villages in East Herts, including Albury, the Pelhams and especially Little Hadham. The congestion that occurs at the traffic lights in Little Hadham at the A120 is presently at an all time high regarding traffic movements and for another large increase in not only cars, but service vehicles using the local country lanes to access main roads would only add to the delay of people going about their regular business. These jams would in turn lead to drivers taking 'short cuts' through lanes that are not suitable for such volumes of traffic.

I feel that the overall infrastructure of the area is already hugely stretched in all areas; i.e. schools, traffic flow, main shopping routes and as such an increase in housing would only lead to perpetual congestion. Only with a stop Harlow North campaign will the area of rural tranquility be retained, a tranquility that many moved to because it offered them exactly that.'