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To: [Future Merton](#)
Subject: MM62
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Dear Sir/Madam,

We strongly oppose the recently proposed modification to the plans for development MM62. The existing plan allows for between 200 and 400 homes. The updated proposal of 500 to 650 homes adds an extra 300 to 450 homes to the existing, an increase of upto 325% from the original proposal.

Not only will it change, beyond recognition, the character of the locale but will have a hugh impact on already stretched local facilities including schools, healthcare, roads and pavements, which are unlikely to be able to accommodate such an influx without major upgrading.

The local roads, in particular Western Road are already often carrying heavy traffic including hgv's, buses etc., at a greater rate than can safely be accommodated. Pavements at points are far too narrow for the number of pedestrians at busy times.

My daughter attends class at Liberty Primary School and the pavement outside the school is very narrow. This means, when arriving/leaving school, children and parents alike are having to walk on the very edge of the pavement when passing each other. This places them very close, often less than one meter, to passing traffic and I fear an accident is only a matter of time. Such a large influx of people in to the immediate area would only increase the risk.

The additional traffic would also be highly detrimental, leading to traffic quagmire, severely affecting local air quality.

As residents of Sadler's Close we live in the immediate area, use the local facilities and would directly feel the impact of all the above. In addition to this, should the 10 story development proposed be approved, we would likely lose much of the afternoon sunshine we are for fortunate enough to enjoy on our patio - our only outside space. And this is the case for many families living in Sadler's Close.

I think flooding the area with so many 'out of character' ten story buildings along with the huge number of additional people and cars it will bring will be severely impact the lives of those already living on the area.

Thank you for your consideration.

Your sincerely,