

NFPC 20/03555 Objection – Health Concerns

North Ferriby Parish Council (NFPC) continues to strongly object to this application due to valid and serious health concerns.

NFPC are not experts in Health, but then neither are ERYC Planning Officers or the applicant.

NFPC is not satisfied that there are in any way adequate quality responses to the concerns raised by eminent local experienced medical experts and threat of this proposal is already causing health concerns in North Ferriby which are predicted to get worse if the application proceeds.

North Ferriby General Medical Practitioner Dr Robert Mitchell – Portal date 4th Jan 2021

3. There will be increased air pollution not only from the extra thousands of local vehicle journeys each day, but this will be augmented by frequent stopping and starting of traffic queues waiting to enter the two roundabouts at the exit of the development. This will adversely affect my many patients who have Asthma and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease.

4. Infectious Disease will increase because of the absence of toilet facilities in the road surrounding the development which will be used for parking up by lorry drivers anxious to comply with driving-time legislation. This will mean deposition of plenty of faeces and urine on the adjacent paths/undergrowth. In effect we shall have an open sewer next to the Long Plantation, which lies behind people's back gardens.

and on the 12th January 2021

"I am most concerned regarding the proposed erection of an Amazon distribution depot in Melton Fields and the consequent deleterious effect on the local population caused by the inevitable increased air pollution.

I am already seeing patients whose mental health has been affected by the proposal to erect this huge building on our doorstep.

I am particularly concerned because it would be so close to South Hunsley School. I believe that the air quality will deteriorate much more due to the fumes from the large number of extra vehicles and consequent traffic jams."

Dr Simon D R Thackray MB BS MD FRCP Consultant Cardiologist Clinical Lead for Cardiology – Humber, Coast, and Vale Operational Delivery Network Divisional Clinical Director for Medicine – NLAG NHS Foundation Trust summarises that deaths will increase and there will be an increase in heart attacks and strokes if the development goes ahead – See Portal Date 11th January 2021

*"The combination of increased particulate pollution (specifically PM 2.5's), ambient nitric oxide / NOx pollution, and noise pollution will lead to an immediate and persistent increase in the risk of coronary heart disease and death for the population of East Riding along the A63 corridor focussed but not limited to the resident population of North Ferriby, Welton, and Elloughton. **This will lead to premature deaths which otherwise would not have occurred** and will persist until there is a wide scale societal transition from diesel fuel based transport towards electric power plants in heavy Goods Vehicles in the 2030's / 2040's."*

and further comments

'The risk to our health from Air pollution is such an important long term issue that any large scale proposed development like this must be mandated to give crystal clear and unambiguous air quality data'

which is not the case with the data presented.

Dr Christopher Wood MB BS FRCPCH a Consultant Paediatrician at Hull University Teaching Hospital NHS Trust and also the Designated Doctor for Safeguarding Children for both NHS East Riding of Yorkshire CCG and NHS Hull CCG wrote in his objection, see Portal Date 12th January 2021

*"I would strongly urge the planning committee to **consider the exposure to current and increased risks associated with the proposed development to the health and safety of children when considering the planning proposal**. A detailed and independent analysis of the risks to local children associated with the proposals should be performed before a decision is taken."*

There has been no analysis or responses to these professional opinions. In the absence of such NFPC continues to object strongly to the objection and requests that the application is refused or deferred until these valid and serious health concerns are answered in a qualified manner.