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My name is Graham Abbott, and I am speaking as a resident of Brundall since moving there in 1984.

Since that time I have witnessed the village grow with many developments.

In 2011 the census (O.N.S.) states that the number of households in Brundall was 1765. Since then we have had several developments, 150 houses from the Pastures, 44 houses from the Mallards, 8 houses for a development off the Dales, 4 for Hillside, 6 for Station New Road. We now have around 1971 households.

When the inspector considers this appeal from Quantum I would urge her to also take into consideration the development of 165 dwellings from Norfolk Homes that has already been approved, and work on that development has started. If approval is given to Quantum for their development of 170 homes that will add, together with the Norfolk Homes development, a total of another 335 new dwellings in Brundall. That’s an increase of 16.9% of dwellings in a very short space of time.

I believe most reasonable people would consider that a significant increase, and I believe the infrastructure, the roads, schools, doctors and the environment that we live in, will deteriorate as a result.

Additionally, this is the last piece of significant open green space, centrally located, in Brundall. It is also good quality agricultural land that provides a habitat to many of our natural wildlife and flora. If we lose this to residential development it will be lost forever, and post brexit we might come to regret this in the future if we need more agricultural land. I believe society needs open countryside.

This planning application was previously rejected by the Broadland District Council for very good reasons, and I urge the Planning Inspector to uphold their decision to reject it also.

Thank you for your time.

Graham Abbott
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