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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you to advise of my vehement objection to Proposal TN17/Policy T6.9, the introduction of an access road to connect Carshalton Road to the Willow Lane Industrial Estate. There are myriad reasons why we are in complete objection to this, not least of which that there will be a stark increase in air and noise pollution, which is already a significant issue in the area. By the introduction of the access road, a previously residential area will be exposed to an exponential growth of commercial traffic, which is unacceptable and will lead to even more pollution of an already heavily polluted area.

There has also been no consideration of the potential for an increase in littering, in particular fly tipping. The old entrance to the Industrial Estate has an out of control issue with fly tipping, one which I have not seen resolved by the council in any meaningful way. With this proposal, you will simply be expanding the scope of this problem which already exists. The creation of the road will not only cause this, but also necessitate the destruction of trees and common land, which currently act as the only buffer between my property and the industrial estate. This also facilitates wildlife and acts as one of the very few remaining 'green' areas in this location.

Moreover, despite that fact that the point of this is to reduce traffic overall, the actual effect is that more commercial vehicles will need to drive on Carshalton Road, which already faces significant congestion issues. Whilst I understand the desire for regeneration of the industrial estate, it is nonsensical to try and achieve this at the expense of the surrounding area. Lorries and other construction vehicles will now need to drive further up Carshalton road to turn into the Industrial Estate, and arguably cause more traffic than before, defeating the purpose of creating the road in the first place. This also poses a risk to pedestrians, particularly children who use the road when walking home etc., and could result in further accidents on an already dangerous strip of highway.

In addition, I have yet to see any evidence that a new road is in fact needed. I go into the industrial estate on a regular basis and have seen no issues with commercial vehicles going in and out. IF there has been a study or some sort of analysis to prove the benefits of the new access road, then this should be published for the public to see, within due time to allow local residents to review it. As it stands, this seems to be a rash decision, made by people who are unaware of the specifics of the area and who have little regard for the valid reasons why this road is senseless.

Lastly, on a personal note, this represents an infringement into my road. Aspen Gardens is a private cul-de-sac and if this proposal moves forward, that will no longer be the case, impacting both the value of my property, the quality of my surroundings and my wellbeing and ability to enjoy my property going forward. I deeply oppose these plans as stated above.

I hope you consider the points raised above, and I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Kind regards,