

SAVE HONEY HILL

15th April 2021



Dear Resident,

Honey Hill, located between Fen Ditton, Horningsea, Quy and Teversham, has been selected by Anglian Water as the site for Cambridge's new sewage works. The relocation is driven by the North East Cambridge Area Action Plan (NECAAP) to build 5,600 houses, office and retail space on the current sewage works site. The Save Honey Hill Group includes residents from our four villages and its aim is to challenge the proposed relocation. In parallel, we will identify issues for mitigation, to lessen the adverse effect the relocation would have on all our lives, should it go ahead. **Anglian Water has stated that there is no operational need for the site to move. Furthermore, our huge national debt and changed, post-Covid world, means there is no current need for new office or retail space on the redeveloped sewage work's site.** We also believe that much needed affordable and better quality new housing can be provided elsewhere, more cost efficiently and on a much faster time scale, without needing to decommission and decontaminate the current site. **At least £227million of tax payer's money could be saved by stopping this project. In Anglian Water's consultation last year, only 27% of respondents wanted the Site to move, 53% wanted it to remain where it is.**

The consequences of this relocation have far-reaching implications:

- Cambridge **Green Belt land**, so precious and vulnerable at this time, **will be lost forever** and the **Wicken Fen Vision** (National Trust) will be severely compromised
- The relocated sewage works will signal the **first industrial development north of this section of the A14** and make the Green Belt vulnerable to further exploitation
- The impact will be immense. Numerous structures **will dominate the skyline**, including at least two **digester towers**, up to 26 metres high; artificial light will pollute the night sky
- There will be an estimated **140 HGV sludge lorry movements entering and exiting the site daily**, clogging our already busy local roads, adding to air pollution and compromising safety
- The likely **unpleasant odours emanating from the partly uncovered works**, will make time spent in our gardens a much less pleasurable pastime
- For some there is the very real **potential that house prices will be adversely affected**, possibly even making them difficult to sell.

We hope you will join us to fight this proposal. If you would like to help in any way, we would be pleased to hear from you. You can become a friend of the Save Honey Hill Group and/or offer some of your time or professional expertise. Please see overleaf - there is much to be done.

We will need funding to continue our campaign, especially since Anglian Water plan another consultation this summer. We are David versus Goliath and it is likely that the legal help and experts' reports required to challenge this proposal, will run into many thousands of pounds. In the current economic climate, there are so many deserving causes that need financial support and it pains us to ask you for a contribution to the campaign at this time. However, we believe that this needs to be a community effort and every contribution, however small, will help the campaign to grow in strength.

With kind regards,

Laurie Woolfenden, (Fen Ditton), Catherine Morris, (Horningsea), Frances Amrani, (Teversham) and Ray Jakes, (Quy)

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Contact Details (Please use block capitals throughout)

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I/we would like to become a friend(s) of the Save Honey Hill Group and be kept updated with progress.

Financial Contributions

If you would like to contribute to the Save Honey Hill Campaign, donations may be made:

- By **BACS** transfer or online faster payment to “Save Honey Hill Group” sort code 52-10-46, account number 25766430 (it is a business account)
- By **cheque** made payable to “Save Honey Hill Group” and post to **SHH, at the address in red print, above**
- Or give **cash/cheque** to Ian Griffith or contact Mrs Laurie Woolfenden on (01223) 295711, or via info@savehoneyhill.org.

Donations will be used for the campaign at the discretion of the SHH group. Where the individual donation is over £100.00, any unused money at the end of the campaign will be returned proportionately or donated to a nominated local charity by the group’s treasurer. Please express your preference, should you choose to make a donation:

Return my donation proportionately Give remainder to nominated local charity

Professional Expertise/Spare Time

Please give details of any professional expertise or spare time you can offer:

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