

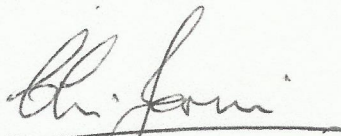
Farmhouse being replaced by rows of new houses on what became the Sunnybanks estate. In 1976 the residents of Carlton Villas and Orchard Villas lived with 19-26 Carlton Villas being constructed with its access close by some of them. This development was similar, but not as good as what is now proposed for 3 reasons. There is mature screening hedgerow between new housing at Orchard Meadow and 19-26 Carlton Villas and Orchard Villas; the access road is to be brought up to modern standards; and Council tenants and taxpayers gain substantial financial benefit in relief from road maintenance responsibilities.

Residents of Sunnybanks lived beside further construction close by them as the estate was progressively completed. In the 1980s the derelict barn 14 metres in front of Cross Farmhouse and the old farmyard were converted into a house. In 1988, and then between 2000 and 2012, the occupiers of nos. 96 and 98 Sunnybanks and nos. 17, 18, 25 and 26 Carlton Villas lived with 5 houses being built in the adjoining Cross Farm land to the south of them. From 1998, Cross Farm residents have lived with the farmland next to them becoming the parish playing field with its various impacts.

All this development next to existing housing was implemented with planning permission to contribute to the provision of new housing and a recreation facility for the locality and the County. Many others, here and elsewhere, have lived with new development that is required in the public interest. This is normal life. Other than occupiers of Orchard Villas, all the present objectors are living in properties built since 1975 - and even more recently at what was Cross Farm land. Furthermore, all the objectors of Cross Farm houses were told before they bought their houses that it was intended to develop Orchard Meadow for housing when planning policies allowed. So, in the light particularly of conditions 4, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 regulating the 2019 development and addressing objections, and with the remaining reserved matters yet to be determined, what is it about the objecting residents neighbouring the remainder of Orchard Meadow that marks them out for what seems like different treatment to the general public, and which justifies BFPC opposing the approved development - and to what end? This modest development will enrich our Parish with talent and taxation revenue together with infrastructure improvement and reducing the financial burden for occupiers of 19-26 Carlton Villas!

We request that BFPC formally, and carefully, considers with reference to its Code of Conduct what we have said above and that it makes clear its position on implementation of the approved development, and specifically its reasoned and detailed justification for resisting or opposing the grant of an easement for the access at Carlton Villas - if that is its intention. Continuing to back objectors seems a soft option. Please BFPC, lead us to achieve a good development that benefits the Parish and the County?

Yours sincerely,



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- Enclosure 1. Cormac Quotation for Access Improvement Works
2. Developer's Overall Costs for Access via Carlton Villas
3. Carlton Villas/Cross Farm Access Comparison