GC POLICY 1: LAND USES AND SPATIAL APPROACH

The green links, indicated in this section, should have a defined width no less than 100m and should have specified tree preservation and woodland/nature conservation management specifications. The green links indicated in this section are not defined in terms of a width, and I understand that the width will be left to the discretion of the developers. So far the developer has generated plans that indicate green links that are considerably less than 100m. These green links are the only internal green boundaries between the three communities, and as such should be defined in terms of a width of at least 100m.

In particular the Crockleford community, the only existing community within the broad development area, is only been granted an unspecified 'green link', separating it from the northern community. Again, indicative plans submitted by the developer show a very marginal ‘green link’. This is far below the green buffers being afforded to Wivenhoe and Elmstead, communities outside the broad search area.

The area within the CEAG proposed 100m wide green links should also have specified tree preservation and woodland/nature conservation management specifications.

The fact that the developer is now being asked to fund 1/3 of the link road puts serious doubt in our minds regarding the availability of developer funds to provide the green links that we feel are required. Furthermore the developer link road funding will put stress on the developer with respect to the GC project as a whole regarding the quality of the project.

I am a resident of Crockleford Heath, the only existing community within the broad search area and the spokesperson for the Crockleford and Elmstead Action Group (CEAG).