

22nd March 2021

Dear Mr James Pocock,

I am writing in support of the residents of Blakelands, in reference to: APP/Y0435/W/20/3252373.

As an MP I recognise I have no role in the planning process, however, the Blakelands Warehouse application saga has become a matter of national embarrassment for Milton Keynes, and in August last year I wrote to the Secretary of State to make him aware of my concerns.

Frankly, the whole episode has been embarrassing for Milton Keynes and an ordeal for the residents nearby.

While the warehouse has been built, the protections in place are essential. The removal of the time restrictions would be utterly devastating for residents.

In the representations I have received and conversations I've had with residents, many of them are broken, physically and mentally exhausted by what has happened over the last few years. To then be forced to live with HGVs operating only metres from their homes, every minute of the night and 365 days a year, with a significant increase light and noise, I think we can all understand the devastating impact that would have on their quality of life.

It is therefore my view that the appeal should be dismissed.

Yours sincerely,

Ben Everitt MP

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