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**Dear Mr Foster**

**JOINT CORE STRATEGY – HETHERSETT**

**Please do accept my apologies for writing to you again as your examination of the Joint Core Strategy enters its final week, but I listened with great interest to proceedings last Thursday, including discussions about Hethersett.**

**By coincidence I held an advice surgery in Hethersett last Saturday (20<sup>th</sup> November 2010), at which the housing proposals for Hethersett contained within the JCS were raised. Hethersett's infrastructure is struggling to cope with the huge growth which the village has already experienced. For example, traffic seeking to access the new Tesco Express supermarket on Great Melton Road is now causing a bottleneck on one of the main thoroughfares in the village. Following the surgery, I took the opportunity to see for myself and, although the mini-supermarket was not particularly busy, the road has nonetheless become difficult for vehicles to pass. At peak times, especially when there are customers and large delivery lorries parking on the pavement, the situation becomes potentially dangerous for pedestrians, while local residents find their driveways are frequently blocked so that they cannot exit from their own homes.**

**This is the situation now. Given that Hethersett's roads are already struggling to cope, I do not believe that there is any way in which the village's existing road network can support substantial additional housing and the comcomitant additional traffic that is being proposed.**

**I would be grateful if you could take the above into account in your report.**

**Yours sincerely**

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**M.P. for South Norfolk**

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