



Stony Stratford Town Council

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Dear Debbie

**PROPOSED REDEVELOPMENT OF COFFERIDGE CLOSE
PLANNING APPLICATION No 11/00143/FUL**

You will be aware that in March 2011, Stony Stratford Town Council lodged an objection to the current proposal to redevelop Cofferridge Close. Our objections focused on the implications for traffic within and around the town, the impact of the application on both the conservation area and the immediate landscape and the disparity between the proposed supermarket and Milton Keynes Council's retail strategy. It is our firm view that subsequent changes proposed by the developers have failed to reflect our initial concerns.

The reports prepared by the Save Cofferridge Close Group extend and supplement the concerns originally expressed by the Town Council on behalf of the community of Stony Stratford. We are grateful to them for the work that they have undertaken which support our original objections. We would urge Milton Keynes Council to consider these as additional material relevant to the final decision about the application.

A sympathetic redevelopment of Cofferridge Close remains key to the success of Stony Stratford as an economic and cultural contributor to the life of Milton Keynes. These reports highlight the dangers of agreeing to a flawed proposal. The Town Council remains firmly opposed to the current application and would urge you to recommend the same when the application reaches the Development Control Committee.

Best wishes

Yours sincerely

Robert Gifford
Chair
Stony Stratford Town Council

