

Letters

Put an end to tedious debate over visitor centre

AFTER James Calnan's Gazette article of August 13, I would like to make a couple of points that get lost or glossed over in all the too-ing and fro-ing of the tedious and drawn-out application for the Stour Valley Visitor Centre at Horkesley Park.

The first is to draw atten-

tion to how long the residents of the villages surrounding the proposed site have had to put up with this relentless process.

The scheme has been proposed, rejected/withdrawn, resubmitted after tinkering that leaves the major issues of traffic and damage to the Area of Outstanding Natur-

al Beauty unaltered, rejected and submitted again. On it goes, year after year.

Why do the Buntings not hear what the majority are saying?

Secondly, in addition to the cost to individuals from local communities in both time and funds, the cost to Colchester taxpayers is

exorbitant. The people of Colchester have, through their councillors, rejected these proposals by a large majority. Guess what? The taxpayers now have to fund an appeal. No means NO!

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