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Colchester Borough Council,
Environmental & Protective Services,
(attn Mark Secker)
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Dear Mr Secker,

Application No: 101336

Location: Dunnetts, East Lane, Dedham, Colchester CO7 6AZ

The Dedham Vale Society would like to register their concerns over this application.

The objection is similar to the concerns raised over Application No: 101184 Crown Cottage, Crown Street, Dedham – if the countryside and rural communities are not to become the preserve of those in the higher income bands, positive action must be taken to preserve the housing mix.

This application seeks to extend a smaller property by adding a large kitchen, bedroom and en-suite and in so doing will increase the value of the property considerable and remove yet another smaller property from the housing mix in Dedham.

An examination of the Dedham Village Design Statement will show that the community wishes to retain properties accessible to all income bands and approval of this application runs counter to the expressed desire of the community.

In the Local Development Framework Development Policy 20: Dedham Vale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, CBC undertakes to protect the area from inappropriate development and that applies equally to the communities of the Vale as well as the countryside.

If the Vale is to remain a vibrant and developing community, individual villages must be protected.

Yours sincerely,

Roger Drury

DVS Essex Planning Officer