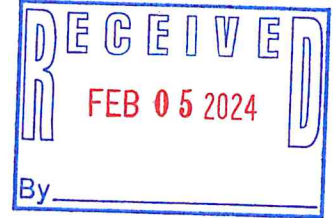


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Eric Brierley
131 South Rd
Bolton CT 06043



Dear Members of the Board of Selectmen,

I am writing this letter to voice my opposition to the proposed public parking area on South Road. I cannot imagine being able to park cars anywhere on that stretch of road safely. Having lived here for ten years, I can confidently state that a vast majority of cars and trucks speed up and down the hill in excess of 50 mph. People drive so fast I do not even let my kids in the front yard alone. Therefore, it is my strong belief that a parking area anywhere along that stretch would be extremely dangerous to motorists and pedestrians.

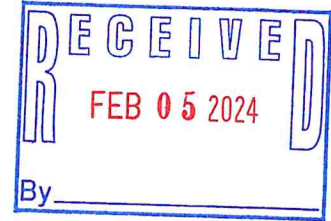
Public parking areas like this in unpatrolled towns are also breeding grounds for mischief and illegal activity, which is a serious concern for the neighborhood. We purchased our home because it was abutting "empty" land (then owned by the State of Connecticut) with the idea it would not be developed in any way, including trail systems. I know we are not the only family along this corridor that purchased their homes for similar reasons. Having cars park on the street and be able to walk in our backyard is also a safety concern not only for liability but also trespassing.

To conclude, I appreciate you taking the time to read this letter and consider the negative impact that a parking area would have on safety, home values and comfort that many homeowners that live along this land have been able to enjoy. I ask that you please reconsider this proposal.

Thank you,

Eric Brierley

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February 5, 2024

Dear Jim Rupert, Board Liason and the entire Board of Selectman,

Due to my inability to be in attendance for your February meeting, I would like to submit my opposition statement for agenda item 6A, *Consider & Act on Grant for the Parking Lot near Munson's*.

As a resident of the town of Bolton for about 30 years, I need to express my concern with creating trails, a public access or parking lot to the land identified in the item. If approved this will have a financial impact on my livelihood.

In 2000, we purchased our home on South Road. This property allowed us the ability to raise our family and is the foundation of our business and livelihood. One quarter of the year, I use my animals' (horses and dogs), for my guiding service out of state. The rest of the year we train and work hard to keep them in ideal health and fitness in Connecticut. We chose to purchase this land on South Road for this reason. The seclusion and ideal location provide them the holistic environment they need to succeed. Our goal has always been to provide a stable environment, so our horses and dogs remain calm and quiet with little impact on our community and their health.

If this trail with public access were to be approved, it would create a very different situation. Public activity through this area would increase stimulation and anxiety. This will result in either an unintentional or intentional impact on their containment in our pastures/ kennels and impact their overall health. With routes 6 and 44 not far away from our location it will be a significant risk. People walking on our property to pet them or stimulate them, become a risk regardless of their intention. Even if we post signs, we fear a potential harm to the animals or people.

In addition to horses, we also have a licensed kennel. These dogs have competed in national championships and are also part of our guiding services. It is important for us to have a safe and secure environment so they can perform at the top of their game when working. Increased activity by the community will impact their overall wellness and therefore performance. In addition, increased traffic on foot/ bikes will cause them to bark, as any dog would. We have worked hard over the last 30 years to ensure they are not a nuisance to our neighbors, especially the elderly in our neighborhood. We want our neighbors to be able to enjoy a quiet neighborhood full of wildlife such as deer, fox, coyotes, turkey and birds of all sorts, and so on. Increased traffic will impact on this.

For these reasons, I am opposed to the approval of trails, the grant request and any public parking in this area.

Thank you all for your time. I have included my number and feel free to contact me if any further questions.

Sincerely,

John Malone

121 South Road Bolton, Ct 06043

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Jim,
I was made aware of the proposed plan to add public parking to South Road that will be discussed at Tuesday meeting. I am unavailable to attend that day, but would like the voice my concerns over this. I am very against this. Thank you for your time.

Chris Hickey
153 South Road