

Your Letter of December 7th

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Dear Mr. Lehrer,

I am writing to thank you for your excellent letter of December 7th. In hindsight, it is rather remarkable that no one from the Town reached out to the abutters of the proposed 209 Old Barnstable Road project in 2017, and it's hardly surprising that some NIMBY folks would immediately leap into the fray. Clearly, the Town has learned from that mistake. Your letter strikes the perfect balance, in my judgment, inviting participation of abutters in the planning of this project while, at the same time, making it quite clear that this project will almost certainly go forward. And it certainly needs to, as there are plenty of folks required to service the many needs of this community and its citizens and far too little housing to allow many of them to live here at prices they can afford.

For your information, my wife and I moved into Quashnet Valley Estates from another Mashpee neighborhood in early 2018. A number of my Player Circle neighbors have homes located just across the street from the proposed project, and, in our almost five years here, I never have heard from any of them any mention of the proposed project or concerns about it. In that light, it's ironic that folks on Snead Drive should have been the ones complaining, but, given the opportunity, I guess some always will.

It's clear that the Town of Mashpee has in place the right person to oversee this planning process.

Regards,

David Howell
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