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I wish to object to WBC LPR Regulation 19 Plan Policy SP17 for the following reasons:-

1. Traffic

I'm concerned that the volume of traffic through Upper Bucklebury will increase significantly as a consequence of the amount of development proposed.

Traffic from the new development will inevitably use the route through Upper Bucklebury as an alternative to using the A4 to go to towards Reading, particularly if there is an exit at the north of the development onto Harts Hill road.

There is also in the plan a proposed car park off Harts Hill road which will add to the problems of a road which is totally unsuitable for an increased volume of traffic.

2. Consequential Damage to Bucklebury Common

With the number of additional people who would be within easy reach and access of Bucklebury Common it would lead to unacceptable pressure on the habitat of the common and lead to unsustainable damage to an important eco system of national importance.

3. Environment

This is a development of "green" land which has a high elevation and abuts an AONB which would have an adverse effect on the visual character of the area and biodiversity.

4. Pressure on Medical and Complementary Services

The medical and complementary services in the area only just cope at the moment so with the proposed development and increase in the number of people requiring these services it would inevitably lead to a significant deterioration, more specific detail of additional facilities is required in the plan.

5. Lack of Strategic Gap between Thatcham and Upper Bucklebury

The development will significantly decrease the green gap between Thatcham and Upper Buckebury and could set a precedent for further expansion in the future resulting in Upper Buckebury becoming part of Thatcham.

I am not prepared to appear at the public enquiry if invited.

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