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I wish to object to the WBC LPR Regulation 19 Development Plan on the grounds that the plan is unsound, and will result in a negative impact on Upper Bucklebury, and surrounding areas, should the plan be passed.

Thatcham and its immediate surrounding areas have had many housing developments over the last 40 or 50 years, and I feel that this large development, on agricultural greenfield land, is not in the best interest of the local population. This plan was initially brought forward to satisfy the government's requirement to provide a set number of houses each year. This requirement was dropped in January 2023, but WBC are still trying to push through this development.

There is no accurate up to date data to support this plan such as traffic data, education support data etc. Without current accurate data the development plan should not proceed: it is being presented using incorrect data. I have major concerns over nursery, primary and secondary schools as all the local schools are already at capacity. The development plan lacks detail on how local education needs will be met, supported and funded.

Thatcham and the local area has seen a big increase in traffic over the years. Obviously this development will bring an even greater amount of traffic, which the road system is not capable of supporting: no plan exists to upgrade the local road system.

As with many regions access to GP surgeries and dental practices is difficult around the Thatcham area. The development plan mentions a GP surgery, but has very little detail on how it will be supported and funded.

In Upper Bucklebury we have had to tolerate a poor water supply over many years. This was eventually resolved when a new upgraded water pumping station replaced an existing one on Harts Hill Road. I have concerns over what impact the plan will have on our water supply, sewage disposal and electrical supply.

My husband and I moved to Upper Bucklebury almost 40 years ago due to its rural location and abundance of biodiversity. We have seen the gradual spread of Thatcham due to many large scale housing developments, which have significantly added pressure on both Thatcham and local villages. We will lose our village identity as well as the precious biodiversity; the plan appears not to care about the legally protected and rare species in the area. This development plan will alter the area in such a way that I feel it will never recover.

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Sent from my iPad