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To: PlanningPolicy

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Sir/Madam,

I am writing to object to the proposed plan for the Thatcham NE development.

As a local resident, my wife and I frequently enjoy walking in the lovely areas surrounding Bucklebury. We are very concerned that this major greenfield development would destroy the area of countryside and the beautiful environment to the south of Upper Bucklebury where we often walk, A route we often walk from Long Grove across to Midgham through the fields and nearby woodland with lovely views across the Kennet Valley would be completely destroyed and would result in paths through a giant housing estate.

It is completely inappropriate for there to be such a large development adjacent to ancient woodland and areas of AONB. This major greenfield development would significantly infill the area between Thatcham and Bucklebury, reducing the separation between our local village and the town and have a significant impact on the local biodiversity around our village. The size of this proposed development is not environmentally sustainable.

I am very concerned about the impact on local traffic. Harts Hill road already carries excessive traffic, and this proposed development would put even more pressure on Harts Hill road and add to delays at the junctions with Floral Way and the A4, and the enormous delays which are already an everyday occurrence at Thatcham railway level crossing.

I am also concerned about the extra pressure this proposed development would place on our local doctor and dentist services and believe the mitigations contained within the development proposal are unsound and unsatisfactory.

I strongly object to this major greenfield development proposal.

Regards,

David Milburn