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To: PlanningPolicy

**Subject:** Plan to build 1500 to 2500 houses in NE Thatcham

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I object to the plan to build 1500 - 2500 houses in NE Thatcham

The plan to build so many houses will have a huge impact on Thatcham and the surrounding villages that will unbalance the environment which has already seen a great many houses built in the last few years. In my opinion a better way to comply with the increase in housing would be to spread smaller developments around the villages and towns so that specific houses can be built to suit the needs of the local residence and less of a dramatic impact.

The increase in traffic will be detrimental to the environment and I have concerns about the safety of more traffic on narrow country roads, particularly Harts Hill that leads off from the planned development.

There is already a great deal of traffic around the railway level crossing in Thatcham, increase in cars will cause more problems of traffic jams.

Healthcare provision, education provision and dental care is already at struggling full capacity. The current plans for increasing these provisions does not seem to show full liaison with providers or make provision that coincides with the increase in housing plans. It seem to be out of synchronisation with the stages of building plans.

Flooding has been an issue in the past how will the building of more houses impact that problem? The plans for flood defence were for existing housing not further expansion.

In our village there have been problems for many years concerning cuts in water supply will that be effected by the plans to increase housing very near to the new water pump?

We are surrounded by an area of AONB how will wildlife and the environment be affected by thousands of more people using the land for leisure activities?

It seems to me that the plans that have been put forward lack full liaison and future planning with health and education provision. Also does not show full unbiased assessments of the impact of the increase in traffic and the impact the plans with have on the environment.

With Regards Janet Ford

Sent from my iPad