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To Whom It May Concern

I wish to object to the proposed Thatcham NE Development as some of the plan's components appear to be unsound.

My reasons for this are:

- Loss of a substantial sized piece of prime precious "green belt" land which currently clearly separates Thatcham from Upper Bucklebury for the building of houses, which will have a devastating affect and impact on the local wildlife, environment and ecosystem.
- During the building phase of this development there will be significant disruption from noise and heavy goods vehicle movements to and from the site on Harts Hill; the A4 and other local roads, as well as large noisy construction vehicle movements within the building site over a considerable time span.
- Once the development is completed there will be a huge rise in vehicle movements on the A4, Flora Way, Harts Hill, Upper Bucklebury, Chapel Row, Bradfield Southend, Thatcham, Cold Ash as most home occupants have one or more vehicles.
- There are no clear provisions in the plans for additional health centres, dental practices, or schools in the locality of the Thatcham NE Development. The local current services and schools are already heavily pressured/stretched and will not be able to cope with the increased number of inhabitants from the development.
- The negative impact that this Development has for me is that it's creation will take away from myself and other's being able to walk in the countryside where the Development is going to be sited. Collateral damage would occur in and on the nearby Bucklebury Common area which has ancient woodlands and protected species, from the extra foot fall from the inhabitants from the Development visiting this area of outstanding beauty.
- The proposed development will increase my driving journey time along the A4 towards Newbury from the East, due to the extra numbers of vehicles that will be exiting and entering the Development. These extra vehicles will be creating additional environmental pollution and fumes.
- West Berkshire Council Planners should look at all the closed public houses, derelict, unused dwellings and commercial buildings within it's council area and consider building new homes on these brown belt sites rather than taking PRIME PRECIOUS GREEN BELT COUNTRYSIDE LAND for new this new development.

Please take these comments into your deliberations relating to this proposed Thatcham NE

Development. Many thanks.

