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To: [PlanningPolicy](#)
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To whom it may concern.

Here we go again.

Despite significant objections, a petition containing 118 signatures, 39 formal responses and much visible opposition, it seems that we once more have to resist this proposal.

Woolhampton cannot, and should not, be subject to yet another new build development, it is incredibly disappointing to see the open green space at the foot of New Road Hill, Midgham being included in the local plan for the development of 16 dwellings.

Please refer to my previous significant objection dated 26/01/2021 against planning application 20/03028/OUTMAJ for my steadfastly unchanged views on the proposal, and I urge you to listen to the community whom you are here to represent.

It is ridiculous that for now the fourth time we need to submit our reasons as to why this plot is not suitable, but I will add two more to the content of my previous submittal:

During January 2023, during a prolonged period of significant cold weather, the brow of the New Road Hill 100 yards up from the A4 was completely covered in an ice sheet which remained there for over a week. It was insanely dangerous, and occurs every time there is a long cold spell. This is caused by water runoff from the field concerned during the day which freezes overnight. To build on this field would make an already dangerous problem significantly worse, with far more runoff due to less drainage.

I joined the planning committee call on zoom for [REDACTED] - in, I believe May 2022 - as the public representative for the village, and I believe stated our case with the strength it deserved. During this call I made a comment that the section of A4 between Woolhampton Hill and the exit from the village to the west "is treacherous". I was not taken seriously, and was even mocked by one of the committee members for using that term, which although I took offence to at the time, I did not rise to.

I refer you to an incident reported in the local press on 10th December 2022 which happened within yards of where the proposed access road is to the new site. Car do not simply drive into lamposts on a straight road. This crash

was a direct result of the situation in this exact location, where the slip lanes are too narrow, the already existing junctions very close together, and the exit from a 30mph zone to national speed limit tempts far too many drivers to accelerate to unacceptably high speeds far too early despite the dangers.

It is, as I stated at the time, and in my previous formal objection, a treacherous piece of road.

[UPDATE: Crash shuts A4](#)



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Part of the A4 in West Berkshire was shut yesterday afternoon after a crash.

There is NO support for this build in the local area, and MUCH opposition. Please remove this site from the local plan and listen to your residents.

Do something constructive with this land instead. Develop it as a green leisure space, a solar field for a community power project, perhaps.

We don't need more houses, and have received nothing in return as residents from the local government for those we have already absorbed.

Matt Partridge

