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To: [PlanningPolicy](#)
Subject: WBC LPR Regulation 19 Objection
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I wish to object to the proposed development to build 1500-2500 new homes in NE Thatcham.

I have lived on the [REDACTED] for 21 years and my family, neighbours and local villagers have all had the pleasure of open spaces and beautiful wildlife around us. We have been privileged and know and respect the land around us. This development will be on our doorstep having an adverse impact: including traffic, wildlife, flood risk, lack of amenities for things such as healthcare and schooling.

In the time we have lived here have faced one flood and flood risks on more than one occasion the flooding was due to high levels of water run off from the area of proposed development. Ditches and drains on the A4 have been maintained once in the 21 years we have lived here and that was an immediate reaction to the floods in 2007. We fear that this development will just exacerbate the flood risk problem on Midgham Marsh. We believe that the development has not looked at the impact on the wildlife of the area, including Badgers, Hares, Bats, Deer and numerous birds and insects.

It seems that the availability of Health Care has not been considered nor has the supply of spaces for both secondary and primary school for the new residence of the development been taken into consideration.

Traffic in the 21 years of living here has become a problem in just leaving and entering our home just off the A4 during peak periods, not just in the amount of traffic but also the speed at which the traffic is allowed to travel. In recent years the back up of traffic entering Thatcham tails as far back at The Coach and Horses on the A4 and possibly further on some days. What will this development create in terms of traffic on not just the A4 but the back lanes which already are used as rat runs to major roads. One big area of backlog being the railway crossing at Thatcham which is already an area of major problem during the peak times weekdays.

None of these issues seem to have been accounted for.

In addition, where is the development of environmentally sound houses with greener energy sources in this day and age? - we should be seeing developments that include green energy stations such as wind turbines, solar and ground or air source heating and quality houses with high EPC specs. Too many developments are going up built to substandard quality - could we see some greener approaches to housing in West berkshire please.

Thankyou for your time to consider our objection to what we believe is an unsound development.

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Yours
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