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I am writing in response to the consultation on the Local Plan. I wish to object most strongly to the two proposed development sites in Theale.

The site at Whitehart Meadow for 40 homes is totally unsuitable – many of the houses would be underneath the electricity pylons, they would be next to the M4, and building there would remove the green space between Theale and Reading. This would also increase the amount of traffic using the mini roundabout at the eastern end of the High Street, which is already a pinch point for vehicles.

The site at the old sewage works for 60 homes is also totally unsuitable – it could only be accessed by vehicles using Crown Lane and Blossom Lane, both of which are narrow and already congested and have narrow or non-existent pavements.

The addition of these potential 100 homes to the 429 already planned for the Lakeside site and the land between The Green and the A340 would represent an increase in Theale's population of over 40%, completely changing the nature of the village for the worse. The current infrastructure is barely coping with the current population as it is.

Regards

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