

WEST BERKSHIRE  
COUNCIL

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DEVELOPMENT & REGULATION

14th February 2023

Dear Sir,

I feel compelled to write concerning the development of 1500 proposed houses to be built in the A4 Thatcham/Bucklebury area and give four points why I feel the proposal inappropriate.

1. Traffic in the lanes of Bucklebury have increased dramatically over past years and where no speed restrictions have been imposed and the many blind corners the lanes have become quite dangerous. Any large development would certainly add more traffic and possibly a fast road serv.
2. I understand no proposal has been made

to extend or build new premises at Thatcham School. The school is already over crowded and an influx of homes would most certainly need places for more pupils.

3. Some newcomers would no doubt be expected to join the Bucklebury Surgery. This could be critical. The surgery already struggles to accommodate the patients they have. The one chemist at Thatcham, which is completely inadequate does not fulfil the public's needs.

4. The loss of open green spaces for people to enjoy and release some of life's pressures can never be regained and the small areas allowed in your plans are minimal

Therefore there is no doubt these houses  
should not be built on the proposed site

