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MM45

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I wish to reiterate my objection to inclusion of the land at Pincents Hill in the LPR 2022-2039 for residential development.

Whilst I appreciate local councils are under extreme pressures imposed by central Government housing targets, I believe this relatively small piece of land should remain as an essential green space, thus creating a much needed buffer zone in an area that has seen massive growth, both in terms of residential and industrial development. The impact of all this development has resulted in surrounding roads being gridlocked on innumerable occasions, well documented in the local press. Adverse weather conditions, due to climate change, has seen an increase in flooding in the area surrounding Pincents Hill. The proposed development, therefore, would only serve to exacerbate the problems being experienced in this area as a result of massive building programmes undertaken already and those ongoing at the present time. It should not be forgotten that previous plans to build on this land were deemed unsuitable because of problems with infrastructure, etc.

Pincents Hill is also home to a wide range of fauna and flora and in a time of devastating loss of so much of our indigenous wildlife, we have a duty of care to ensure that existing habitats are preserved. This small area of natural, unspoilt beauty is well loved and certainly well used by the local community and should remain so, without the ever looming threat of building development.

I am aware that the preferred method of raising further objections to those put forward already was by form filling against referenced modifications, but I was assured during a telephone enquiry to WBC Planning Department that emails would be taken into consideration.

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