

Planning application comment was submitted on the **16 April 2024 15:12 PM**

The following is a comment on application **P240422/F** by **Philip Butler**

Nature of feedback: Objecting to the application

Comment: P240422/F - Land to the East of Hereford, South of A438 Ledbury Road, Hereford

I object to this development on several counts and feel it is in violation of the following.

Local Plan Core Strategy - MT1, LD1, LD2, LD3, LD4, SD1, SD3, SD4, SS6, SS7

NPPF - 120, 174, 175, 180, 185, 188, 194.

Hampton Bishop Neighbourhood Development Plan

Hereford infrastructure.

The health service (doctors, dentists, hospital) are already struggling to cope without taking on more patients.

The local schools are at capacity which means children will have to travel further causing more congestion on the roads and it's associated air pollution.

Hereford's water supply and sewerage systems are already stretched

Traffic in the immediate area is already gridlocked at school start and finish times due to amount of schools near the proposed site.

No safe means of access on the A438 for cyclists or pedestrians to the city.

Hampton Dene Road will become a rat run for traffic to and from the proposed site to areas South of Hereford

The main employment areas are to the South of the city which means a long journey across town (or via Mordiford) and a river crossing on already congested roads. (increasing air pollution)

Adjacent Lugg Meadows SSSI which forms part of the Northern and Eastern boundary, (no buffer zone between).

The Lugg Meadows. This is one of the largest "Lammas" fields in the country and as such is very important Nationally due to the diversity of rare flora and rare birds that can be found.

The risk from foul water and surface water contamination could damage or destroy all of this as the Lugg Rhea runs through the proposed development site.

Visual Impact - currently worked farmland on a sloping site outside the city limits

Although the proposed development does not break the skyline it will dominate the view on your approach to the city from the East including Bartestree and Lugwardine. This can be clearly seen and demonstrated in the developers own photographs. All areas of the proposed development North of the Lugg Rhea and access road cannot be landscaped in any way to shield the view as it is constantly flooded during the winter months.

Site drainage - surface, foul, sewerage.

The Northern 80% of the proposed development drains generally from South to North ie towards the Lugg Meadows SSSI. Should there be any spillages or the pumping station fails how are these spillages being contained, and contamination prevented.

The Southern 20% of the development the ground slopes South/Southeast towards the boundary with Copsewood Drive. It is not clear from the application how drainage to this area is being dealt with.

Attachment:

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Infrastructure from section 106 to consider: School to be built, funded and in operation before houses are occupied

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