

Planning application comment was submitted on the **12 April 2024 06:44 AM**

The following is a comment on application **P240422/F** by **Kate La Barre**

Nature of feedback: Objecting to the application

Comment: As a resident of Hampton Bishop Parish I OBJECT to this development on the following grounds:

1. Hampton Bishop Neighbourhood Plan clearly states that any development in this area should be protected (Ref HB 10). The proposed development will sit alongside the Lugg SSSI, an important, ancient habitat for already vulnerable species and migrating birds. It also acts as a natural flood plain. This year alone, the River Lugg reached near record levels with much of the lower part of the site under water on several occasions. The 'farm' access road has repeatedly been underwater during autumn winter 23/24.
2. The proposed retention and detention ponds to capture excess water are untested and have been calculated based on old flooding consultation and reports from 2012. The margins between seasonal flooding and catastrophic flooding of properties in Hampton Bishop village are tiny. Any displacement of water / run-off from a development of this nature will place additional pressures on our flood defences. The impact of climate change alone on our increased annual rainfall is already a threat to properties in Hampton Bishop and the ancient and vulnerable bridge at Mordiford on the B4224, which is already in disrepair. With no plans to raise our flood defences I cannot contemplate why this development would be approved.
3. Should this development go ahead it will cause irreversible damage to the unique biodiversity of this site and rob future generations to enjoy this significant and beautiful landscape on the edge of the city.

Attachment:

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Infrastructure from section 106 to consider: Increased flood defences along the Lugg and Wye

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