

Planning application comment was submitted on the **16 April 2024 17:07 PM**

The following is a comment on application **P240422/F** by **Wendy Porter**

Nature of feedback: Objecting to the application

Comment: The following points are reasons why this land is unsuitable for the house building development.

The Lugg Meadows are designated as a Site of Special Scientific Interest, this should be protected.

The impact on the environment will have a catastrophic effect.

The developers state they will put up a cat proof fence to protect the nesting birds. However, cats go wherever they like and nesting birds will be easy prey.

Hereford is losing its farming agriculture status with all the house building and we need as a country all the agricultural land we can get.

Building on the edge of a flood plain which has already been flooded since October will only make the situation worse and cause more issues.

The infrastructure is not robust enough to support this development i.e. lack of capacity for Doctors and hospital. (I note the hospital has raised an objection to this development on the grounds of lack of capacity within the hospital) also lack of dentist and schools.

Level of traffic already built up since Bishop Fields development and this new development will only add to the congestion on Ledbury Road which was not built for all this traffic. Hampton Dene Road is used as a rat run for large heavy lorries and will be used by extra cars as Ledbury Road will become the 'New Belmont Road' which is clogged up most of the day and especially at rush hour.

There are 3 schools on Hampton Dene Road and this is very congested at school drop off and pick up times so extra traffic from this new development will only make this situation worse. Cars also park on Ledbury Road at pick up time and this makes it very dangerous with pupils crossing the road, so extra traffic will only exaggerate this situation with an accident waiting to happen. (Some parents turn up at 2pm to get a parking spot on Hampton Dene Road).

Unable to put up Bypass over Lugg Flats due to wildlife, but prepared to destroy a large area without any concerns to the wildlife.

With this development there is the possibility that it will add more traffic going through Hereford to the South of the city as the residents travel to Rotherwas Industrial Estate for work, which will put even more pressure on the only river crossing. This another point which highlights the infrastructure is not robust enough.

I note that Welsh Water say they will not be able to supply the water pressure required for this development and it will affect other houses in the area. You can already note a water pressure drop in the mornings at certain times so extra houses will make this situation worse.

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Infrastructure from section 106 to consider: Listen to the objectors

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