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For the attention of Mr Robert Cook

Dear Sir

Please find enclosed herewith our letter in response to the Bovis appeal.

B & C Charlton.

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12th December 2014

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For the attention of Mr Robert Cook

Dear Sir

Re: Appeal by Bovis Homes Ltd Your ref: APP/W1850/A/14/2227072 Appeal No. 140963/0 144 Aylestone Hill, Hereford

We write in response to the above appeal to express disagreement with the Appellant's Statement of Case with regard to the land proposed for development.

Representatives for the appellant quote:

2.0 SITE AND SURROUNDING AREA <u>2.1</u> the land is described as being '...of poor quality grazed farmland...'

As can be seen by the enclosed photographs the ground, though not having been farmed in a husband like manner for many years, and particularly not since the intentions have been to apply for development, still offer lush grazing due to the high water content, even at this time of year. The adjoining fields to the northeast of the ground under consideration have for many years and still do accommodate a healthy herd of cattle.

Within the proposed development ground there is one area of 'scrub' by an old chicken house which is the result of extensive building waste tipping having taken place while the ground was in the possession of a previous owner, but this with proper management should recover.

2.3 SAC and SSSI

With regard to the Lammas meadows, it is acknowledged by conservationists countrywide that the preservation of sensitive and historic areas such as these require specific grazing management. As the development is situated just 20 to 30 metres away, it would result in an inevitable increase in the number of dogs being allowed to run/defecate freely. The identification of the viruses Neosporosis (causes cattle abortion) and Sarcocystosis (neurological and death in sheep) are commonly found in dog faeces and will put animals at higher risk, resulting in a reduced uptake in grazing. These historically valued Lammas meadows which incorporate the SSSI and SAC areas could be put in irreparable jeopardy.

We therefore ask that this information please be taken into consideration.

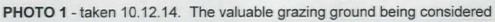
Yours faithfully

Margaret & Bernard Charlton

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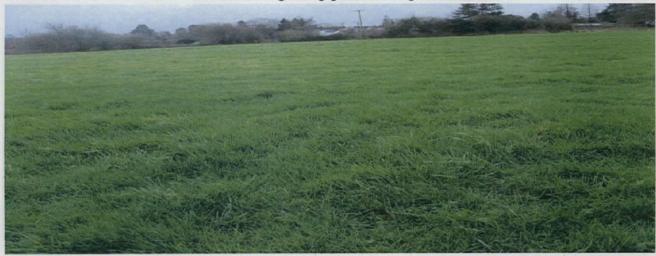


PHOTO 2: (Front of picture) Wheel marks resulting from hauling hay bales from the higher ground in one of the fields in question in November, demonstrating the sponge-like turf against the existing properties. Midway left side of the photo, is the small area of scrub referred to in our letter and beyond this a section of the ancient Lammas meadows skirting the River Lugg.

