

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

The following is a comment on application **P240422/F** by **Richard & Lyn Langford**

**Nature of feedback: Objecting to the application**

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**Comment:** Application Number P240422/F

We object to the application.

The adjacent Lugg Meadows SSSI habitat is included in Herefordshire's Biodiversity Action Plan as one that has been identified as under threat in the County. Lowland meadows are also listed as a priority habitat in the UK Biodiversity Action Plan.

The proposed development site forms part of an important buffer for the SSSI and the river Lugg.

National Planning Policy Framework states that development likely to have an adverse effect on SSSI's should not normally be permitted.

The proposed development does not sit within the Core Strategy for Housing HD1. The proposed development is contra to the Core Strategy.

Herefordshire Council's Core Strategy policy LD1-Landscape and Townscape states that development should "conserve and enhance the natural, historic and scenic beauty of important landscape features." LD2 states that "development proposals should conserve, restore and enhance the biodiversity of Herefordshire"

The rare species of plants and animals are very important and likely to be negatively influenced by the impact of dogs, cats, noise, light pollution and increased traffic.

SSSI status should be protected at all costs bearing in mind that damage does not have to be physical and obvious. If run off from the proposed development collects or passes over the site it is likely to be enriched and/or contaminated. By the time damage/ changes are visible it would be too late to save the meadows. They are valuable and rare and irreplaceable.

**Attachment:**

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**Infrastructure from section 106 to consider:** There is nothing that could make this development acceptable

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