

Cuffley Village is separated from its neighbour, Northaw, by the Green Belt. The Green Belt is designed to prevent urban sprawl (NPPF 2019), and, until now has been largely successful. The Call for Sites includes several sites between Northaw and Cuffley, in direct contravention of the intention. This particular site deliberately tacks extra houses on to the edge of the village, increasing urban sprawl towards Northaw. Once this part of the Green Belt is breached, there will be no stopping the sprawl. It is a hilly site, and water drains from it onto the B156 road, which is always flooded after rain. This site is Flood Zone 3. Adding more concrete and removing plants will make the problem worse. It is unlikely that waste water capacity will be able to meet the demands of development (HELAA 2016). Any development here would be very visible as the village is approached. If the most important attribute of the Green Belt is 'openness' then this sites most definitely contravenes 'openness' (NPPF Feb 2019). One of the purposes of the Green Belt is to provide attractive landscapes near to where people live and housing does not fit the bill.

What people who do not live in the area often do not realise is that there is ONE road, the B156, through Cuffley, connecting it to