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Dear Planning Department

I write with regard to your letter of 24th June regarding a proposed development at land to the east of Firs Wood Close, Northaw - a proposal of 26 dwellings and associated access.

Fundamentally I do not agree with the applicant's planning consultants' application of national and local planning policy. My objections come from a place of serious concern for the environment. [REDACTED] and am passionate about preserving our environment for future generations.

This site is rural in nature and lies within the Green Belt to which the Government attaches great importance and planning regulations apply. This large development detracts greatly from the verdant character of the area. The damage to wildlife in this area would be tragic - the site of this proposed development is where bats fly, deer roam, rabbits dwell, frogs and newts swim, butterflies/bees pollinate, dormice inhabit, and badgers and even rare snakes have been observed. There will be protected species issues and likely implications on the destruction of rare plants. I would expect an ecological survey be undertaken to address biodiversity issues.

The environmental damage caused by any development in this area is of serious concern. The issue of resultant pollution and poor air quality from allowing community housing building in this area where walking is dangerous and car ownership is a necessity cannot possibly meet current environmental objectives in this time of Climate Emergency (zero net carbon emissions by 2030).

I strongly object to this proposed development and I await your response on the issues raised above.

Kind regards

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