## Comment for planning application 6/2018/2768/OUTLINE

**Application Number** 6/2018/2768/OUTLINE

**Location** Hatfield Business Park Hatfield AL10 9SL

**Proposal**Outline application for a large-scale mixed use development including 1,100 new homes and

supporting infrastructure including a primary school, local centre and open space with all

matters reserved

Case Officer Mr Gerry Ansell

Organisation

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Type of Comment Objection

**Type** Neighbour

**Comments**Further to my letter submitted on 11.12.2018, I would like to raise that today I saw a Water vole by the entrance to Ellenbrook Fields. "Water voles are fully protected under section 9 of

the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981(as amended). Schedule 5 of this Act makes it an offence to intentionally damage or obstruct access to water vole burrows." The

Environmental Statement 14, states that the presence of Water voles in this area is 'likely absent'. Having seen one with my own eyes, and hearing the movement of another, and seeing a likely burrow, whilst walking an energetic and boisterous dog, this is highly surprising. I can only assume that the Survey undertaken was not fit for purpose or was

undertaken over such a short time period, the findings were limited and not accurate. Before any further action was to be taken on this site, I would strongly urge the Council to

commission an independent and extensive ecology survey to ensure that the findings are accurate and impartial.

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