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Local Plan Review
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RE: Proposed Building and development of "Wisloe Garden Village"

I am writing again to voice my displeasure that despite previously voicing my dismay that the above is still in the pipeline with none of the concerns seemingly being addressed.

We have had four days of rain and the road outside my house has a small rivulet running at the end of my drive. This is without you building on the land and covering it with bricks and concrete, which will in turn cause the water run off to increase many fold. The drains can't cope as it is, the ditches are full and the Cam is on high flooding alert. Are you really going to exacerbate the problem and create havoc for your current ratepayers? The local agricultural land acts as a natural sponge thus alleviating much of the flood alert in this area. You will be actually increasing this risk by allowing developers to cover this land. Will you be prepared to pay to replace or repair current inhabitants' home or pay for the increased insurance costs?

You will also be destroying the habitat of the local bird and wildlife population, you will be increasing the noise factor which is already high from the motorway traffic, the railway, the A38 and the A4135 and you will be raising the pollution levels with an increased amount of traffic which will be inevitable with the amount of proposed houses. This is at a time when the whole country is trying to REDUCE pollution levels

This area will change from being a rural community to one of the communities of Cambridge, Cam, Slimbridge and Gossington all merging together with Wisloe and joining with Dursley and creating a development which totally destroys the current principles of good planning which will completely take away the environment which we currently enjoy. Surely a smaller development would be more beneficial with other areas taking their fair share of housing too. It will assist in less complications for commuting from the station where the carpark is already overflowing, and the roads which are already stretched especially at commuting and school times. The roads are poorly maintained and any thoughts of encouraging people to walk are negated by their dangerous conditions especially in the Cambridge area.

You have the wonderful Slimbridge Wild Fowl trust on your doorstep yet you will be discouraging new visitors if they have to run the rat race of traffic in a built up area, plough through flooded roads to spend their chosen leisure time and it will also no doubt have a negative effect on the winged visitors.

I therefore again ask you to question yourselves if you are in fact taking the correct stance in trying to cram so much housing into this area. Trying to create employment opportunities to area which cannot even supply the basic internet connections to their current residents, let alone new businesses, increase the population causing even more delays and mayhem into an already overcrowded Drs surgery. Create further traffic problems to an overflowing station car park and Lastly take away the agricultural land which you have seen fit to downgrade to 3B from a grade 2 to conveniently allow for development to take place. Do you have ANY conscience at all? I await your explanations/response in due course