

Dear Planners,

If more housing is being forced on the area by the government, it should go to centres such as Oxford, Didcot and Witney, where there are plenty of facilities, shops and transport links already. Use of brown field inner city sites should be given priority, so people can walk or cycle to work.

Villages are not suitable. The inhabitants mostly have to go out of the village daily to reach their jobs or education.

I strongly object to the huge building plan some developers put forward for 120 houses in Blewbury, and here is what I wrote to [Barton Willmore](#):

- I object to any building on the Woodway Lane site, Blewbury.
- It is in or very near an area of Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.
- The village has not enough places in the primary school and had to have a new classroom this year.
- Raw sewage was in a village road last winter because the sewage system could not cope.
- The Cleve, the village pond, often fills with silt when there is building work and the wild life is much damaged.
- This village has limited services such as shops and jobs, so more homes mean more people own and drive cars, burning more fossil fuel.
- The Vale of White Horse may be behind with its building targets from the government, but Didcot (South Oxfordshire Council) is only 5 miles from here and homes have gone up there by the hundred in the last few years.
- In the Vale Council area there is a proposal for the Chilton –Harwell science site to have hundreds of homes. Many have been built there already in the last few months.
- The statistics on which the building targets are based are said to be highly inaccurate.
- Far more buildings, jobs and investment should go into inner city brown field sites and to underdeveloped areas in Wales and the north east. I do not support the relentless urbanisation of the south east, and of Blewbury village in particular.

Yours sincerely,

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