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The Local Plan 2031

Land off Dunmore Road North Abingdon

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Dear Sir,

As a resident living in Lovelace Close (No 6) overlooking the farm land in the proposed plan, I want to register my concerns.

First of all this land is green belt and I think I paid a premium for my house as it directly overlooks the area towards Bayworth. This obviously is very disappointing to me, but I suspect not a concern for the Vale council.

I should imagine that farm land value rises by at least 5 times once land is earmarked for housing development, so there will be a number of persons having an interest in making a lot of money, who will push for the plan to be accepted.

My main concern however is infrastructure. As I write, another quite serious accident has occurred on the Dunmore/Boulter Drive junction. This road has become so busy and dangerous, can you imagine the chaos if these houses are built? Since the totally bewildering alteration of the roundabout on Dunmore/Wootton Road junction, we now have standing traffic on the whole of Dunmore Road at peak times. This is probably <u>injurious to our health</u>. We cannot get out onto Dunmore Road from Boulter Drive without some degree of danger, can you imagine when the site is developed? I know that infrastructure, including a full diamond interchange for the A34 is possible, but this never happens, only vague proposals (during election times). The thought of this new traffic heading into Abingdon, shopping etc. is mind-blowing when you consider the Abingdon Traffic Plan being such a disaster.

Another curious point I would like to make is the many trees that were planted west of the Sunningwell track that are just maturing, are they to be decimated (good planning or what)?

You will know doubt say "if not here then where"? Well the ex-reservoir site at Hanney is a place that could have good access to A34 as well as the science and commercial areas around Didcot. Barton fields are another contender. This area in Abingdon being developed would not cause great concern to residents except for infrastructure. The possibility of flooding (I have never seen this) could be designed out after all it is nearly 2015!

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