

## Comment

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<b>Q1 Do you consider the Local Plan is Legally Compliant?</b>	No
<b>Q2 Do you consider the Local Plan is Sound (positively prepared, effective and Justified)</b>	No
<b>If your comment(s) relate to a specific site within a core policy please select this from the drop down list.</b>	N/A

**Q4 Please give details of why you consider the Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible. If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Local Plan or its compliance with the duty to co-operate, please also use this box to set out your comments.**

Biodiversity will be lost and destroyed if large scale housing developments continue to take place across the rural landscape of the Vale. I am particularly concerned about housing site 28 - North West Radley at White's Lane, Radley. This site consists of a field and small wooded copse with disused gravel pit which contains an abundance of important wildlife including bats, owls, red kites, sparrow hawks, skylarks and many other birds and animals. Most importantly a large no of bats live and feed in the wooded copse/disused gravel pit and in the adjacent field and hedgerows, they are protected

under the Habitats and Species Regulations 2010. Biodiversity issues have not been addressed for developing this site for 240 houses therefore the policy is unsound.