



We are objecting for multiple reasons.

Because of the huge amount of traffic already in the area and on the A653, the roads are struggling already with the sheer amount and the pollution caused by it. Adding more housing will increase this hugely and cause even more issues to an area that's already struggling to cope.

The area has lost so much land to housing that we are in danger of losing what little green space we have left, the area in question is ancient and a lot of people locally have emotional ties that will cause much anguish and upset if lost. I regularly walk across the land to get from A to B, even if the area has alleys/paths it's not the same as open land. As a woman I feel far safer walking the open fields than I do cutting through building sites/small unkept footpaths by housing/properties. There are footpaths between the newer housing where I live but they are unlit, unkept, dirty, and dangerous. To see this continually added in place of open land in response to people's concern is not helping, it's causing divides between who will and won't be able to cross that land.

Not to mention the effect on the wildlife and ecosystem, if we are already struggling to cope with such high pollution for the over used roads how will removing the green space help? It won't. Mental and physical wellbeing rely on there being places to walk without having to drive, removing this space removes a lot of people's access. It's not the same as a field you can walk in circles around, it's a connector between areas, a place you can feel you can get away from it all. It's our history, and we must protect it.

There are many alternative areas - notably brown field sites - which would be much better suited to such developments, I'd imagine cost is what prevents this but cost should never outweigh the environmental, emotional, or health factor. We all have to play our part yet the developers seem to ignore this time and time again. We have been ignored over so many developments in the area, it has to stop.

The area is not in need of what is being proposed, it cannot cope with increased traffic, people - schools and doctors are at their limit - and the never ending building sites we are being forced to live between. Please consider the desperation of the objections, we may not have the money to buy the land but that does not mean that what we say is not of the greatest importance.

The cost of losing the land to development far outweighs the price the developers have paid to build on it, and the good they are arguing will come from the change.