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To whom it may concern,

I would like to object to the 2 following planning proposals - references: 2020/92350 & 2020/92331. Please find reasons below:

1) Permanent loss of agricultural land - The Planning Department have admitted they do not know if the land is of better agricultural value than the Land Owner claims and it appears there are no plans to conduct the assessments repeatedly requested by Natural England - I find it very suspect that these requests have been refused, surely an assessment must be conducted so we have an accurate answer to the value of the land before even considering building on it.
2) Destruction of endangered species land - Many Skylark & Yellow Hammer breed on the land.
3) Ecological Surveys were updated by one single walk-over by an Ecologist (employed by Land Owner) in October 2022 after a drought and previous surveys are out of date due to being from so long ago. One walk after a drought is not sufficient to truly represent the ecology of the land - If you live here, every day you see the ecology, you see how ecological the land is, season to season, day after day.
4) Protected species have additional protection in the planning process but have not considered. This includes evidence of a Kingfisher, Red Kite and Barn Owl. They have been sighted regularly.
5) Bats have been reported by the Land Owner's Ecologist as having 'no significant activity on site', yet there are over 9,000 verified recordings of bat calls in and around the 2 Ancient Woodlands. Furthermore, I have spent many nights, for many years, seeing the bats in my own back garden on a very regular basis, which is very close to the woods.
6) It has been proven countless times the benefits of green space for mental health and wellbeing - The land provides a calming haven for residents and visitors during the challenging periods that life throws at all of us. You can't replace what the land provides for people's wellbeing and mental health once it's gone.
7) Concerns over traffic - Traffic on Leeds Road is continuously getting worse and more dangerous, with accident's happening every couple of months now. Adding more traffic to an overwhelmed road will not help at all.

Kindest regards,