



to retain anonymity. Please don't include name or address.

I wish to object to the above planning application for residential development on agricultural land on the following material planning grounds:

1. Loss of Agricultural Land

The proposed development would result in the permanent loss of productive farmland. Agricultural land is a finite resource and its loss conflicts with national and local planning policies that seek to protect soil quality, food security, and the long-term sustainability of rural land.

2. Conflict with Local Plan and Spatial Strategy

The site lies outside any designated settlement boundary and is therefore classified as open countryside. Residential development in this location would be contrary to the adopted Local Plan, which seeks to direct new housing towards sustainable, accessible locations and to protect the countryside from inappropriate development.

3. Landscape and Visual Impact

The proposal would introduce urban built form into a predominantly rural landscape, resulting in harm to the character and appearance of the countryside. The development would be visually intrusive and would erode the open and undeveloped nature of the area, contrary to landscape protection policies.

4. Sustainability and Accessibility

The site is not located within a sustainable settlement with convenient access to services, employment, education, and public transport. As a result, the development would likely lead to an increased reliance on private car travel, conflicting with sustainable transport objectives and climate change policies.

5. Precedent for Further Development

Approval of this application could set an undesirable precedent for further housing development on surrounding farmland, leading to cumulative harm to countryside character and the incremental erosion of rural land.

6. Infrastructure and Services

There is insufficient evidence that local infrastructure — including highways, drainage, healthcare, education, and utilities — can adequately support the additional residential development without adverse impacts on existing residents and service provision.