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For the attention of Mr Simon Berkeley

Dear Mr Berkeley

Below are the 2 issues that I would like to have the opportunity to speak on.

WEDNESDAY, 18th MARCH 2020 GREEN BELT REVIEW – MATTER 23

As a Councillor for the Wigmore Ward of Luton that is adjacent to the East of Luton where there are proposals to destroy valuable Green Belt, I would ask you to consider the following concerns I have.

- a) It will cause a drastic loss of Agricultural land, woodland and consequently, the habitat for wildlife. Luton is classed as the worst polluted town in England and the air we breathe proves that. The area of North Hertfordshire and East Luton will become a vastly overpopulated area.
Green space is vital for people's wellbeing and relaxation. Destruction of this land and the replacement of it in other areas in North Hertfordshire is inappropriate as it will not accommodate the needs of people in the existing Green Belt or Luton.

THURSDAY, 19th MARCH 2020 EAST OF LUTON SITES -MATTER 24

- a) The following are all additional sites for housing that have come about since our last hearings

Luton's Local Plan states that they will not build on Parks and Green Open spaces. Since our last consultation meetings they are taking away a very large amount of Wigmore Valley Country Park for a second terminal and industrial buildings.

There is a proposal to turn the TUI building on the corner of Wigmore Lane and Eaton Green Road into 184 dwellings comprising of: -

- 13 studio flats,
- 43 1-bedroom flats
- 74 2-bedroom flats
- 45 3-bedroom flats
- 9 9-bedroom flats

There will be insufficient parking spaces for residents on this site.

On the Hayward Tyler site in Kimpton Road they are proposing to build 1,000 homes.

Barnfield College are planning to build 110 homes on their playing fields.

To add to these developers are going to build 3 large blocks of apartments on land in Flowers Way, adjacent to the Crown Courts in Luton. This will provide 318 homes

Agricultural farm land to the west of Luton has been sold and I am aware that this land which is in Central Beds, on Luton's boarder, has been surveyed for the provision of 4,000 houses.

Still there are vast areas of brown field sites lay vacant around Luton.

- b) Roads in the area cannot cope with the present traffic yet alone with Airport expansion and another 1,950 homes, plus additional housing mentioned above.

- c) Already Wigmore Doctors surgery doesn't have enough Doctors to cope with patient numbers, no library, no Post Office, the Luton and Dunstable Hospital has long patient waiting lists, an overworked Police Service, Fire Service and Neighborhood Watch Team. Wigmore and Stopsley only have 1 large food Store with parking facilities..

- d) There is a slight change in flight paths that are affecting the residents of Wigmore. Residents are experiencing many "go rounds" (aborted landings). These will affect any new houses in North Herts and this situation will increase with the proposed expansion of the Airport.

Yours sincerely

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