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Good afternoon,

We moved to Upper Bucklebury from Newbury [REDACTED] years ago to live in a village and enjoy being part of a small community, in the centre of the countryside. Never would have thought that a development of this size could be built on our doorstep and could influence our life and our children's, possibly our grandchildren's.

I understand that some(!) houses need to be built and there is a demand but to build that many in that location is a recipe for disaster.

The biggest problem is the sheer volume that scares everyone in the vicinity.

The developers won't care about the people already living here, they won't care how much extra pressure they put on the existing schools, GP surgeries, dentists, pubs etc.

Schools are mentioned in the development plan but would they be built before people actually move in, ready to take students? Where is the new surgery/ies to take all these families?

To come back to our village, Upper Bucklebury with a primary school and sadly already some speeding through the village, this development:

- would create a massive extra traffic going through our village, increasing noise and pollution levels
- traffic to Thatcham station is already chock a block
- the boundaries of the new development are too close to Upper Bucklebury risking the village to sucked in by Thatcham
- parking in Thatcham is already an issue
- the volume and frequency of trains going through Thatcham station cannot cater for these proposed new residents

• Who are these houses built for? Can the developers see 2500+ new job opportunities in the vicinity?

The plan far outweighs the demand here

• there is a proposed country park. We already have one in Bucklebury. What effect would this have on that one?

• traffic: there are children at Bucklebury Primary School from Thatcham. Their school run would be hugely affected. Would they have to change school?

• secondary school: Kennet School at Thatcham is already struggling with capacity. We are in the catchment area but so would these 2500 families have priority of getting a place over us as they will be built between us? Again when would the proposed secondary school be built and how it would affect current catchment areas?

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If you want to discuss this please get in touch.

Kind regards  
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