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Dear Sir

I wish to object to the current Preferred Development Option plan because you fail to demonstrate exceptional circumstances in order to build on Greenbelt land and neither do you demonstrate that all existing Brownfield sites have been fully exhausted.

There seems to be a massive overestimation of the number of houses that will be required, suggesting quantity over quality and you have greatly underestimated the impact this will have on the environment, with a huge increase in air pollution, light pollution and noise pollution, as well as a vast increase in the number of vehicles that such a project will generate. More houses and industry equals more traffic which will vie for a position during the daily commute, on already poorly maintained and heavily congested roads. The addition of new roads and linkways will do little to ease this problem, in fact it seems absurd to suggest that new roads be built to relieve existing traffic flow and then pile more vehicles into the equation, surely one cancels out the other.

As for the suggested new transport links, have these been thought through seriously? How will a bus travel safely over the Cantilever Bridge or along Broad Lane for example and will it be possible to access them after 5pm, because at the moment, public transport to Appleton / Grappenhall etc is a joke after this time of night.

We need to retain our unique countryside and protect the natural habitats of our wildlife, not blight it with the concrete and tarmac of urban sprawl. No matter what fancy or pretentious name is given to such a project i.e. "Garden City Suburb" it will still be a blot on our once beautiful area. Never has it been so true that you don't know what you've got till it's gone and the very sad fact is, that when it has gone, the effects will be irreversible.

Your faithfully

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