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**From:** R French [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 23 January 2021 13:29  
**To:** DC Support  
**Subject:** The Poplars Deddington planning application\_Public comment\_ref 20/03467/F

Dear Sirs

I am writing to express my concern relating to the planning application for The Poplars field which is located between Clifton Road and the Castle Grounds in Deddington near Banbury.

My points are as follows:

1. Deddington has already contributed to the District's housing needs through the 85 house development at Deddington Grange (including 30 'affordable' homes). Permission has also been granted for 21 houses in Hempton Road and 15 houses south of Clifton Road, and there is a current application for 14 more houses in Hempton Road.
2. The development would set a dangerous precedent of seeking to build on open green space within the Conservation Area (so designated "specifically to ensure that these spaces are preserved").
3. I understand that the planning application is for age-restricted dwellings. It is important to note that Clifton Road is not served by public transport and that Earls Lane is a poor walking route to the Health Centre. The proposals would lead to more car journeys and extra pressure on parking in the village centre.
4. There is the potential to build more houses in a subsequent phase up to the edge of the Castle Grounds on the remaining 2/3rds of The Poplars site, even if this is not detailed in the planning application.

To secure protection from development, would it be possible to give the field Green Belt status by being designated as 'Public Open Space'?

Thank you in advance for considering my concerns above.

Yours faithfully

Dr Rosalind French

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