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I object to this development.

I live locally and this is the area where we wind down and take a walk after stressful jobs and volunteering. We use this area for youth activities from the local church. There aren't many leisure facilities in Kidlington - no cinema, bowling, theatre. We have just moved our 95 year old mum to The Moors because it offers a peaceful setting as it does for the other residents.

**1) This is classic Green Belt.** It is agricultural land, leading to further fields, the Cherwell floodplain meadows, the Community Woodland, the River Cherwell and further countryside beyond. There is not a building in sight before the small villages of Hampton Poyle and Thrupp. Nor are there any roads or other structures.

**2) The land is important for people's health and well-being.** This land provides one of the last remaining areas of unspoilt tranquil and open countryside on the doorstep of Kidlington which is hugely valued by residents. There are two public rights of way that cross or run along the edge of the site. These are much used by local residents (and others) for recreation and relaxation. There are also many informal paths around most of the field boundaries which have been extensively used for many years. The importance of access to peaceful open space for people's physical and mental health is widely recognised.

**3) 5,000 houses and other developments are already in the pipeline for the Kidlington area.** 4,400 houses were allocated on Green Belt land around Kidlington as recently as 2021. None have yet been built, but planning applications are well advanced and the eventual total is likely to be more than 5,000. Most of these homes will be available for people from Kidlington. It is absurd to suggest that somehow these don't count towards local need because they do not fall within the historic boundaries of Kidlington parish.

**4) Infrastructure will already be stretched** to, and possibly beyond, the limit by the already planned developments. We used to need the hospital with our profoundly disabled son - fast access to health facilities was critical

**5) There are well publicised problems with flooding, sewerage and water supply capacity** in the Oxford area. We live on Mill Street which has issues with sewerage and flooding.

**6) There would be an adverse impact on the Local Road Network.** It is proposed that the development will have two road accesses onto the Moors. The Moors is a relatively narrow residential road. It has already experienced traffic problems as can be seen by the traffic calming measures (road humps) that are in place. and buses use Mill Street.

**7) The land merits Local Green Space designation.**

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