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I understand that the planning application to build on the land behind The Moors is to be discussed and voted upon at a planning meeting this evening, 15 January. I am writing to put again objections made in almost 500 representations submitted during the consultation period last year, and the continuing opposition in the village to this project.

A development of up to 340 houses will mean a likely increase of some 1,000 people, and upwards of at least 600 car journeys daily in and out of the site via inadequate access points, and then along The Moors, Benmead Road, High Street, Green Road, and other local streets, which are already difficult to navigate because of residents' parking and the passage of traffic. So many additional journeys will also exacerbate congestion on the main arterial road through Kidlington, which is already extreme, and not only (though especially) at rush hour. There are safety issues for schoolchildren, other pedestrians, cyclists and drivers themselves, when the road network will be even more heavily used than at present.

Local services – the doctor's surgery, the pharmacy, schools, parking – are already stretched, in some cases to breaking point. The addition of further service users for these facilities will have a serious impact on the wider population of the village.

The physical infrastructure – particularly water supplies, drainage and sewerage, but also other utilities – is already a serious concern in this area.

The proposed development is adjacent to (and in one area overlaps with) an area that is flooded every winter: if more land is built over, the flood risk, already real and serious, will increase, particularly in properties in The Moors.

The land for the proposed development is Green (not Grey) Belt, adjacent to a Conservation Area and a Grade 1 listed building (St Mary's), and is crossed by public

rights of way; it is of crucial importance to nature conservation and the preservation of wildlife and protected species. And it is an invaluable recreational amenity for an enormous number of local people. For all these reasons, the development is entirely inappropriate.

The site is not already earmarked for development according to the development plan, and it is not clear that, in addition to other planned developments in the area, more housing is necessary in Kidlington. No information has been provided about the size and nature of the proposed housing, or its affordability. The development offers no advantages to the village and is detrimental to the community in all the ways outlined here.

I urge you to take very serious note of these points and the vehement opposition to this development of almost all those who have contacted you over the last six months in respect of this application.

Yours faithfully

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