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From: [REDACTED]
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To: Planning Policy
Subject: Proposed development off Birds Hill Road

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Dear Sirs,

This is to notify you that I object to the proposal to build on the green spaces off Birds Hill Road and Hayeswood road referred to below in NBC planning document:

Northampton Borough Council Land Availability Assessment September 2017

LAA1049 Land off Arbour Court Residential 15 15
LAA1059b Land off Birds Hill Road Residential 12 12
LAA1059c Land off Birds Hill Road Residential 5 5
LAA1060 Hayeswood Road Residential 5 5

I have lived off Birds Hill Road for 42 years since it was first developed and I consider the green space as an extremely environmentally valuable asset, not as spare land to be built on.

I value the open nature of Lings and the area generally as

- 1/ providing breathing space, somewhere for nature to thrive,
- 2/ for birds to nest and sing,
- 3/ the trees are valuable for trapping carbon particles,
- 4/ for converting carbon dioxide to oxygen for breathing
- 5/ for converting carbon dioxide to oxygen and combating climatic warming
- 6/ generally combating pollution.
- 7/ providing somewhere for children and adults to walk and play and enjoy fresh air.

Additionally:

Further development of the area and increased traffic would also

- 8/ increase danger to pedestrians and
- 9/ increase pollution.

Recently we have seen the following take place under the direction of the local Council to degrade what was a pleasant place to live

- a/ The street lighting has been ruined, it is now unsafe to go out after dark
- b/ The essentials of the library service have been cut back to the extent that it is no longer a place to read and study.
- c/ The 'bus service has been withdrawn from Birds Hill road resulting in failure to meet the standards for residential accessibility.

Please do not allow any further deterioration of the region where I have lived, with considerable pride, for many years.

Yours sincerely,

John A. Beswick

