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Dear Mr Kemp

Re Birmingham Development Plan

I am a local resident of Sutton Coldfield and I am writing with particular reference to the plans to develop homes and an employment hub on the Green Belt in Walmley (Langley Urban Extension)

I welcome the opportunity to make further comment to you as an "independent". Many local residents have made submissions during the consultation period. I believe that 5,863 comments were made and not one single comment has been acknowledged as legitimate by the Local Authority and NO changes have been made to the original development plan despite considerable local representation. As a person who will be adversely affected by the proposal to the point that I will be forced to sell my home I write to implore you to take into account the level of opposition from the local population. The arguments made make reference to many concerns about the accuracy of the analysis and need assessment used to formulate the plan.

The key issues for me are:

- No exceptional reasons put forward as an argument to build on the green belt
- No recognition of the infrastructure that would need to be in place to support a development of this magnitude e.g. road, schools, mobile phone coverage, NHS ,public transport
- No funding identified by the Local Authority for any infrastructure to support the development e.g. schools, transport
- No consideration of alternatives to building on green belt – brown field, derelict properties, industrial sites
- No evidence of working with neighbouring authorities to identify alternatives areas for development, particularly in areas that need regeneration
- No meaningful consultation with the local community and key partners e.g. Clinical Commissioning Group, Schools, Transport Providers
- No consideration of historical sites e.g. Langley hall
- No consideration of the impact on the wildlife in the area e.g. badgers, skylarks in the local area.

I trust that the public examination will take into account the comments made by local people, the legitimate arguments made about infrastructure and the lack of consultation and engagement with local communities.

Kind regards

Natalie Borman