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Dear Madam or Sir,

We would like to lodge our objection to the inclusion of the Bread and Cheese Field as a Strategic Site for housing development ("Policy R5 - Bread and Cheese Field").

Our main reasons for this objection are the following:

- The A28 is already extremely busy and clogged, especially after the large new housing developments in Hersden of recent years. We find it very difficult and dangerous to join the A28 when leaving Westbere; the proposed housing development would only make this worse.
- The area already lacks the necessary infrastructure (e.g. shops, doctors or work opportunities) for the existing population. This forces far too many people to use the car, a situation which would be aggravated by the new development.
- The Bread and Cheese Field is a vital place for wildlife, which would be completely destroyed by the new development. The field needs to be kept as a green space in its entirety; any kind of new housing would cause irreversible damage.
- Westbere and Hersden each have their individual character, which deserves to be preserved as such. The proposed development would remove the existing green space between the two places, and effectively merge them into one uniform and amorphous conglomerate resulting in yet another example of those unsightly ribbon developments that so much blight the British landscape.

We sincerely hope that you will take our concerns (and those of numerous other residents) into account and come to a decision that will not detriment the well-being of present and future generations.

Many thanks for your attention.

Yours faithfully

Daniel Buhler and Pilar Rodriguez-Diaz