

*As a resident of Hampton-on-the-Hill I am writing to OBJECT to the proposed modifications to the Local Plan regarding the increase in housing in Hampton Magna – references H51 and H20. The Draft Local Plan had proposed 100 additional dwellings in Hampton Magna and the 'Proposed Modification' has increased this number to 245.*

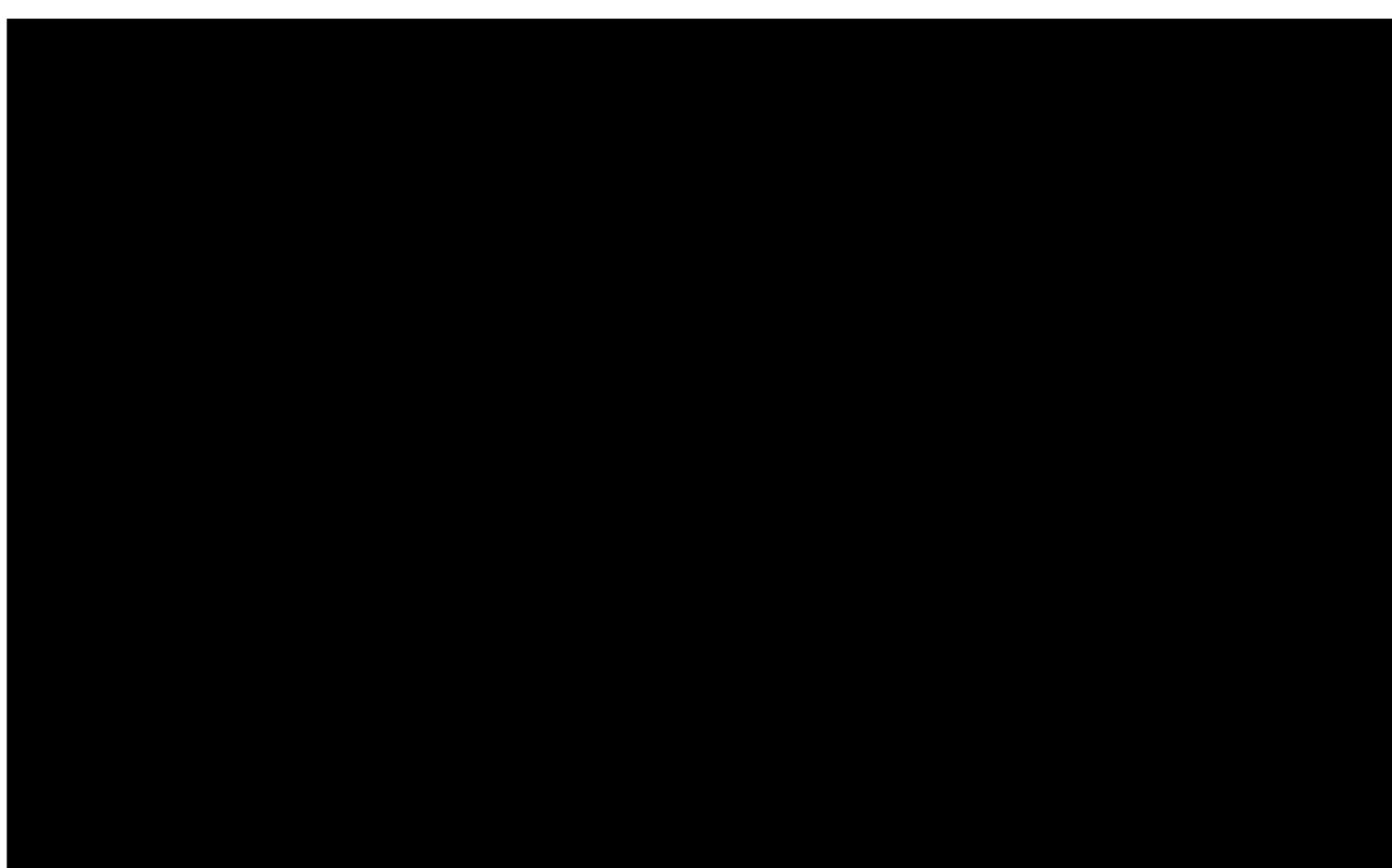
*Hampton Magna currently has 632 dwellings and the proposed increase will take this to 877, an increase of nearly 40%. Existing amenities are struggling to cope and will be unable to sustain such an increase. Schools and services are already overloaded and will be unable to function with the additional housing. To accommodate the additional housing will require a substantial investment in extending all amenities.*

*Access to Hampton Magna is by two principal roads (there is a third road which is a country lane – Ugly Bridge Road linking to Woodway and Church Lane); one is Hampton Road through Hampton-on-the-Hill and the other Old Budbrooke Road via a low headroom bridge (12 ft 6 inches) at Warwick Parkway Station. As a result heavy traffic enters along the Hampton Road through Hampton-on-the-Hill.*

*This situation is exacerbated by the recently extended development at Chase Meadow to 1000 dwellings, many of whom use Hampton-on-the-Hill as a means of access to Warwick Parkway station and as a 'short cut' to the A46 and A4177. A traffic survey carried out in September 2015 showed over 18,000 vehicles a week come through Hampton-on-the-Hill. Roads in the Village already show substantial degradation with the current loading and will require much investment just to cope without the burden of the additional traffic. The quality of life in our village is already being fragmented and the additional traffic will destroy it altogether.*

*If additional dwellings were to be built in Hampton Magna, it would be essential to build a separate road into them from the A4189, Henley Road and factor in the costs of so doing. Such a road would not only improve the environment and traffic flow for Hampton Magna and Hampton-on-the-Hill, but could also be used by Chase Meadow residents to access the Warwick Parkway station, the A46 and A4177. Furthermore, the route of the road could be used to accommodate the additional services (drainage, water, electricity, telecommunications) which will be required for the new dwellings.*

*I believe the proposed changes are unsound and should be rejected.*



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