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Dear Sir,

We wish to register our very strong objections to the proposal for the development of the green belt to the north of Leamington. We consider the proposals are seriously flawed for the following reasons:-

- 1) There is other suitable land available in Leamington for development not designated green belt. The Local Plan is governed by National Policy i.e. NPPF. Your proposal goes against this policy. There are no "exceptional circumstances" for you to go against this Policy. To quote one of the Councillors - the Green Belt

development proposal is in order to "spread the pain." This is not a valid reason.

2) This Green Belt is an important and valuable local amenity as there are very few accessible areas for walking in North Leamington.

3) There is the grave risk of Kenilworth and Leamington merging in the future with the loss of their identities.

The infrastructure required to service the proposed Green Belt land is considerably more expensive, with more land required, than those areas not in the Green Belt.

Our objections to the Council's proposals are certainly not about "not in my backyard" as they do not impact upon us directly, but represent our grave concerns for the loss of beautiful countryside fringing this lovely town.

Yours faithfully