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WDC PLANNING
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Dear Sir or Madam,

LOCAL PLAN - PREFERRED OPTIONS

I wish to make the following comments:

PO1. Some time ago there was a consultation about the level of growth. It would seem that WDC has disregarded the wishes of the local residents as the level of growth suggested is higher than wanted/needed. Agricultural land should be protected

PO4. Building 100 houses in Barford will put a strain on the existing facilities, particularly the village school. Insisting on 40% affordable homes, even if they are not required by Barford residents, does not seem reasonable.

The suggested development south of Gallow Hills is vast and would add to the terrible congestion as traffic tries to drive into Warwick and Royal Leamington Spa in the mornings. This would also detract from one of the entries into the historic town of Warwick. It would seem more sensible to keep extra housing nearer to the existing conurbations and to use brownfield sites.

PO16. It is important to keep Green Belt boundaries round towns and villages to avoid the sprawl of these sites into countryside.

PO18. It is common sense not to build on land liable to flooding. It is important to ensure all housing has fully sustainable drainage.

