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Dear Sir,

I am writing to advise of my objection to the planning proposals that would see the development of a large housing complex in the area to the North of Leamington Spa in the Old Milverton and Blackdown Area.

In my opinion this project will be detrimental to the area and will encroach on what is essential Green Belt Land which provides an essential leisure area to the population of Leamington Spa.

This project seems to be against the principles of the Greenbelt Policy set out in the Government's National Planning Policy framework in that it will not protect the countryside from encroachment and will encourage the merging of both Leamington Spa and Kenilworth. The area adjoining Northumberland Road provides an important area of leisure and recreation for a large number of the residents of Leamington Spa through the provision of the Council and Private owned Allotments which have been at this site for over 100 years.

It would be sheer vandalism to destroy this area which provides the allotment owners with a healthy activity as well as fresh produce and a tremendous community spirit which is of great value to the well being of Leamington Spa.

It is untrue to state that there is no alternative site which is available as there are sites to the South of Leamington identified in the Councils own 2009 Core Strategy. Presumably this area is still available, but is no doubt less financial attractive to developers. Financial consideration is therefore no doubt considered to be more important than the adverse effects to the community that this project to the North of Leamington Spa.

I would therefore like to register my objection to the plan and no doubt would be supported by all of the other allotment holders with whom I have a very happy relationship. We are greatly concerned that this wonderful facility will be lost to us and to the community for future generations.