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Preference Planning ApplicationWA/3221/PL

Dear Sirs,

I wish to object to the above application. I particularly care about this village of ours, having been born here 83 years ago , although in this modern day and age it seems to count for little.

I support our very active Parish Council and their objections to this Planning Application and the reasons given, in particular maintaining the Walberton Green Conservation Area, which, as the application states, is a departure from the Development Plan. Maintaining this area is most important to the Character of our village, which although located at the west end is really the “Centre” of the village for Parishioners and Visitors.

Also, there is a connection between this field and the village pond. Wild birds from the pond, mostly Mallard, often nest in that field, requiring local residents to put up notices “Baby ducks crossing” or similar. That would certainly be lost with development.

You might also consider that this field has, in my memory and probably many wears before, been a water meadow during the winter months from rain and a flood plain from the water course that runs through the west boundary of the field, on its route from Slindon Ash Beds to the Village Pond. This was a haven for passing water birds such as coots, Moorhens and some wading birds which was particularly pleasant to see when occasionally passing by. The attached picture shows the field in mid winter and was taken from outside the property boundary



It is worth noting, that the field has been dry for a while, which co-insides with a re-routing of the water course, which incidentally vandalised another lesser known Village feature of a waterfall built by the Mosley family over 100years ago. If this has a connection with the disappearance of this natural feature, was it officially approved, because it would have a major effect on any planning application. I don't know the answer as it is on private property



This is the diverted Water course with remains of the
Waterfall now overgrown by Water Plants

Finally, to avoid confusion, I have no relationship that I am
aware of, with the applicant Mr M Allsopp, who I have never met.

Thank you very much

Kindest Regards

Brian Allsopp