



8th February 2019

Planning Department
South Oxfordshire District Council
135 Eastern Avenue
Milton Park
Milton
OX14 4SB

Dear Sir,

Land North of Bayswater Brook (LNBB)

I can see no justification or coherent rationale why the land above can reasonably be included as strategic land for the provision of additional housing.

It is apparent that the Council have not undertaken the necessary assessments, in particular, detailed biodiversity, flood risk, air quality and transport studies. Even a cursory assessment would have revealed it includes land which is susceptible to flooding. This suggests the Council promotion of this site is rushed and poorly conceived, mainly as a result of inadequate consultation and investigation.

The land falls with green belt and by promoting development of LNBB, SODC is failing in its statutory duty to protect the Green Belt, biodiversity and Sites of Special Scientific Interest.

There is no assessment of how this proposed development will link with other major planned infrastructure investment. It looks like a simple "knee jerk" response rather than part of a coherent strategic plan.

I urge the Council to reject the landowner's promotion of this site.

Yours faithfully



Andrew Lockhart