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Dear [✓] John _{Heap} / PlanningRe HED & DPD 2008 - 2028ACCRINGTON RD WHALLEY DEVELOPMENT

I won't write at length about the floods as I have done so previously and I'm sure the events must be clear to those that sadly witnessed it & even those that didn't. As I write, workmen are wading round the Accrington Rd, Whalley field: and its raining! What more can you add to being able to row a boat round the proposed development and not only on that isolated occasion. The only thing that astounds me is that we are still having to discuss this especially as we are told we can expect wetter weather and more flooding in the future. It is not just about protecting the development but also about retaining the field to protect the rest of the village. Why build on a flood plain!


Whalley village really can't take any more building. Its infrastructure isn't up to it & it's no longer a village but a small town with village facilities.

You also mention your interest in maintaining green areas, hedgerows & wildlife. The development destroys all three. I read a report that said there was no significant wildlife here but I have lived adjacent to this field for 50 years & have spent much of that time watching the wildlife. We have bats, frogs, newts, eels, herons and recently a kestrel & Barn Owl have

taken to hunting here. I also see many types of butterfly including peacocks, orange tips, blue species & also cinnabar burnet moths. Sparrows have made a big comeback & lately fill the hedgerow with their chatter. We also have goldfinches, longtailed tits & jays & much more.

I fully realise the need for extra housing & that life moves on and changes are necessary but this particular development is wrong on so many levels & the negatives far outweigh the positives. I feel this is my last chance to beg you to turn this down.

Yours faithfully

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