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High Peak Borough Council Planning

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Buxton

Dear Sirs

Ref: **Planning Application no HPK/2017/0110**

I write to state my objections to the above numbered planning application submitted by Persimmon Homes.

My most obvious objection is the fact this area of land is not allocated for building on the Local Plan; Why build here when they could build on allocated land and brownfield sites within the Local Plan/5 year land supply.

This planned site is in the Green Belt and is presently used for farming purposes – i.e. grazing of sheep.

Buxton is a very popular tourist town – visited for its beautiful surrounding countryside – if we lose this countryside to housing estates we will lose our beauty and hence our visitors – which will result in loss of tourist income.

I would also point out the proposed site is on a steep incline; very poor drainage hence most of the year it is extremely boggy – 120 houses would certainly not help. During rainfall water pours off the

Macclesfield Road joins the Leek Road and causes a virtual river; also during winter conditions i.e. snow and ice the approach into the town is frequently blocked or too dangerous to drive on.

High Peak Borough are already aware of the problems with parked cars during winter weather – many residents of the Carr Road estate who need to get to school or work etc park their vehicles either on the Leek Road or Annecroft Road over night – this causes problems for the resident car owners on Leek Road; Macclesfield Road and Macclesfield Old Road – this problem will only get worse should we have a further 120 houses in this area.

Has the local Burbage School got the capacity to take on a further possible 150-200 children? Also Cavendish Avenue is already a major problem for vehicles and pedestrians at school opening and closing times – how will it cope with a further large intake of children being delivered and collected by car?

How are the doctors and dentists surgeries going to cope with the increase of a further 120 properties causing a possible increase of 300+ people; it already takes 3/4 weeks to make an appointment at the doctors!

Please keep Buxton a beautiful spa town surrounded by open countryside – a haven for tourists to enjoy – please do not surround us with housing estates – let Buxton keep its high profile and popularity – we have nothing else to brag about in this town other than its natural beauty.

Yours faithfully

Jacqueline Marriott

P.S. Kindly acknowledge receipt of my letter