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**To:** LDF; devcontrol  
**Subject:** Objection to planning ref. 2021/40242  
**Attachments:** 20210120\_190334~2.jpg

Dear planning.

I find myself writing my first ever letter to you in the hope you will honour the previous 2020 report and not build on a site in Burtonwood known as Ashtons Farm.

The reason for this is that it has come to my attention that you have received a letter to consider the green belt zone known as Ashtons Farm, Burtonwood for homes. In your 2020 plan the council specifically excluded this zone as it is Greenbelt and this was supported by local residents and local councillors. The new application for 250 homes will be built on land that is liable to flooding over the years and in particular around current housing boundaries, see attached photo, where the farmer has been trying to raise a natural dip in the field to no avail. Also many of the gardens do flood.

Access to the village in peak hours is already poor with the introduction of the traffic measures outside the farm, leading to tail backs coming in and out of the village on clay Lane, particularly noticeable is the long jams coming into the village by the new traffic calming measures.

Ecologically the area concerned is frequently visited by buzzards who walk the field looking for worms, along with lapwings and other local birds who live in and use the field.

Housing along the boundary to the site (along Hawkshead road) are south facing and building here will take way light from the homes and gardens which have never been overlooked or shadowed previously (the sun is low in winter especially). Most of these have low 4ft fencing and a natural hedge row containing many small birds and animals as mentioned above.

I am also concerned about the amenities such as Primary schooling, the current community school only has 1 year intake.

Lastly, with all the big pushes around conservation and saving the plant, giving green belt over to building is not supporting this, which is contrary to one of your goals. There are areas previously used for buildings in the village which could be developed such as the right-hand side of the industrial estate in the centre of the village.

Please therefore ignore this latest application by Brooklyn Holdings Ltd on behalf of the land owner who is trying to exploit a possible loop hole in green belt use.

Kind regards  
Mike Fairhurst