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Dear Georgina,

## **Wiltshire Local Plan Regulation 19 Consultation** **Representations by Sustainable Amesbury**

Over the past two years, a consortium of local Amesbury residents has organised a campaign known as 'Sustainable Amesbury'. Their focus has been on four sites being promoted by developers and land owners for inclusion as development sites in the local plan. These sites were formerly known as Viney's Farm, High Post (North), High Post (South) and the extension of Solstice Park.

There was significant concern from the local community over the prospect of these greenfield sites being allocated in the local plan. Indeed, residents commissioned a number of independent consultants to evaluate whether the sites were needed for development. This included Ecological, Archaeological, Landscape, Transport, Planning and Housing Needs and Supply Analysis and the reports were sent to Wiltshire Council. For ease of reference, the reports are appended to this letter.

The consortium of residents established a dedicated website ([www.sustainableamesbury.org](http://www.sustainableamesbury.org)) with information on the proposals. Over 815 objections were submitted through the website against the proposals and sent to Wiltshire Council.

It is pleasing to see that Wiltshire Council's own evidence echoes that of the independent consultants. Namely, that the proposed sites should not be allocated for development in the forthcoming local plan.

The purpose of this letter is therefore to welcome the decision of Wiltshire Council not to allocate the sites in the draft local plan, and to re-affirm the significant volume of supporting evidence against the proposals.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on the number below.

Yours Sincerely

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Appendix :

- [Transport Report - Solstice Park Extension \(March 2023\)](#)
- [Ashurst solicitor's letter to WC \(June 2022\)](#)
- [Planning Consultant's letter to WC \(June 2022\)](#)
- [Ecologist Report - Viney's Farm \(June 2022\)](#)
- [Archaeological Report - Viney's Farm \(June 2022\)](#)
- [Transport Report - High Post \(June 2022\)](#)
- [Amesbury and Wiltshire Housing Needs and Supply Analysis \(June 2022\)](#)
- [Ashurst Solicitor's letter to WC \(October 2021\)](#)
- [Landscape report - Viney's Farm \(October 2021\)](#)
- [Planning consultant report to Wiltshire Council \(October 2021\)](#)
- [Transport report Viney's Farm \(October 2021\)](#)