

	Online Comments
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	<p>I have already posted a list of my objections to this development and I now wish to add to them by these additional comments as detailed below:-</p> <p>Flood risk.</p> <p>There is a winterbourne stream which runs in an open ditch all along my southwest border. It enters an underground pipe at my southeast border fence with Church Farm then under the disused tennis court which is the site of the proposed development. That underground pipe has blocked on more than one occasion during our 16 years here, flooding the complete area of the tennis court. In more recent years I have tried to ensure this does not happen by positioning a metal grid at the entrance to the pipe which I monitor and clear from time to time. This is designed to catch the considerable debris, leaves and dead branches, which accumulates over the summer months which is washed down the stream from the land above my property of Westwood Farm. This is not my responsibility and I cannot guarantee to do this in the future and so the flood risk will return.</p> <p>Archaeological Considerations</p> <p>One of the grounds for refusing a previous planning application near my house was that there had been no archaeological evaluation of the site. I can see no evidence that this has been done on this new application so how can it be approved.</p> <p>Trees</p> <p>Approximately 2 yds. inside my south east boundary and very near the side and rear walls of plot 2 house on the other side of the boundary is a substantial lime tree, height approx. 50 feet, girth 48 inches. I objection to this proposed house because it may damage my tree. I have checked that the recommended distance between this type of tree and a building should be a least 8 metres. I estimate that the new house would be not more than 5 yds. away.</p> <p>Site Plan Error</p> <p>I have identified a significant error on the site plan which I have notified to Wiltshire Planning. The effect of this error (more than 5 metres in length) is to mislead the relative positions of the new build with my house. When viewed from Main Street the new development appears to be nearly completely set back behind my house although this is not actually true. Correcting the size of my house means that more than 70% of the Plot2 building runs parallel with my house. I have had no definite assurance from Wiltshire Planning that this will be corrected before a planning decision is reached. I object most strongly to this situation.</p>

	<p>Design and position of the proposed dwellings</p> <p>Their design does nothing to complement their surroundings and are more suited to new suburban type layout far away from a village setting.</p> <p>There are 6 listed building in the immediate area which demand sympathetic quality designed dwellings around them. This proposal fails this test on all fronts.</p> <p>They are squashed into the available space.</p> <p>They block one of the open spaces on Main Street destroying the very feature which defines our village.</p> <p>I have previously mentioned that the development does not meet local housing needs and that traffic problems will grow.</p> <p>Approval of this would only encourage more poor quality modern houses to fill the remaining spaces which add so much to the character of our village.</p> <p>My considered view is that this development proposal has no redeeming features and should be rejected.</p>
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