PLANNING APLICATION **PL/2021/11175**

Pound Farm Development Phase 2.

Planning application should be denied for the following reasons.

In accordance with the current Wiltshire Core Strategy (WCS) this planning application fails to

meet even the most basic criteria. The Parish of Lyneham and Bradenstoke is a rural community

consisting of a large village and a small village (as identified in the WCS). The WCS also states that development in large villages will be of 10 units or fewer. This number can be increased if there is a 'demonstrable need' within the community for such a development. There is no such need within the community.

This proposed development is also on Greenfield and is outside the existing settlement boundary.

Once again, in the WCS, it states that developments on Greenfield or developments that will

expand the settlement boundary will only be allowed if there is a 'demonstrable need' in the

community and the development is for Social/affordable housing only. THERE IS NO SUCH NEED.

Wiltshire Council manage a list of people that are looking for housing in various areas and for our Parish, that list contains 7 names. There are plans currently in place for Green Square to

redevelop St. Michael's Close. That redevelopment will more than accommodate those names.

There is also no requirement from Wiltshire Council for further development in our

village to meet its strategic housing aims.

A number of housing surveys have been carried out and there is absolutely no demonstrable need for a development of this size.

Recently planning has been granted for 50 houses at the rear of Pound Close and another 200 are planned at Green Farm. This is in direct contravention of the Wiltshire plan. A Planning Officer comment on Green Farm was that it was in breach of Wiltshire policies, but it was not valued landscape. It may not be to you but to local people it was. As is the field in question with this application. This is not only an application for just this parcel of land but a rolling attempt to totally change the village of Lyneham. As has happened in other areas of Wiltshire, one planning application follows another until we see the total change in our village. Please do not let this happen. You have a responsibility to the villagers of Lyneham and Bradenstoke to treat us fairly and not to totally disregard our request. Please maintain Lyneham and Bradenstoke so that in years to come we will still be rural villages.

There is an absolute need to protect Lyneham’s landscape, the distinct character of the village, and, its rural spaces. This is also identified in the Wiltshire Infrastructure Delivery Plan 3 2011 – 2026 (2016) which makes it clear that where villages within the parts of the Royal Wootton Bassett Community area (in which Lyneham falls), the identity, character and settings of these settlements should be protected.

There is no requirement or need for this size of development in the village. How many times must we go through this process to make this clear.

Lyneham and Bradenstoke Planning committee.