

Green Farm application 19/03199/OUT

Response from Lyneham and Bradenstoke Parish Council.

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.

The recent figures released in [https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/media/5624/Empowering-Rural-Communities/pdf/Wiltshire\\_Local\\_Plan\\_Empowering\\_Rural\\_Communities\\_FINAL.pdf?m=637459592290230000](https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/media/5624/Empowering-Rural-Communities/pdf/Wiltshire_Local_Plan_Empowering_Rural_Communities_FINAL.pdf?m=637459592290230000) Which shows that before allowing the Pound Farm development. There was a need for 80 houses to be built before 2036 and that 51 houses had already been built. With the 50 houses from the Pond Farm Development it will mean we are 20% over the requirement.

The Pound farm development was passed on a loop hole in the planning rules. It is our hope that Wiltshire council has now addressed this problem. With the recent announcement of the release of more land around Chippenham. See <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/future-chippenham#about>. Which states that "By 2046, it is envisioned that the road could unite sustainable new communities and green spaces, including up to 7,500 homes, supported by local neighbourhood services and employment opportunities. Thus with the building of up to 7500 houses on the horizon, why build house where they are not wanted or needed.

Why do we have Planning committees and Local Neighbourhood plans if they are all going to be ignored.

We at Lyneham are council tax payers and expect Wiltshire Council to defend its position on Planning policies not to roll over when the going gets tough.

The Government has also a role to play. It should defend its constituents and uphold what is right and proper.