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Ms G Clampitt-Dix
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6th November 2018

Dear Ms Clampitt-Dix,

Re: Crudwell Parish Council in support of the removal of Ridgeway Farm - Wiltshire Housing Site Allocation

Crudwell Parish Council fully supports the decision at Cabinet Level to remove the Ridgeway Development from the Housing site allocation plan and would like to restate its comments on the original plan that decisions of this type are best made by local people at a local level with the support of the community.

- Crudwell Parish Council continues to object to the proposed allocation of Ridgeway Farm for 50 dwellings (or 40 additional dwellings) on the basis that:
- there is no strategic need for the Housing Site Allocations Plan to identify any housing sites in the Malmesbury Community Area;
- in that context, Wiltshire Council's own documentation states that "the most appropriate means to assess local needs and plan growth at each Large Village is through the neighbourhood planning process"
The emerging Crudwell Neighbourhood Plan is advancing rapidly and has already been the subject of a number of rounds of public consultation and exhibitions;
- the Crudwell Neighbourhood Plan will identify a housing site or sites to meet its local housing needs as defined by a housing needs assessment produced to inform it;
- the collaborative and inclusive approach adopted in producing the Crudwell Neighbourhood Plan is intended to achieve public support to a far greater extent than Wiltshire's Housing Site Allocations Plan has achieved;

On that basis, we support the Housing Site Allocations Plan removal of any proposed allocations in Crudwell, and allow the Crudwell Neighbourhood Plan to make the decision about Crudwell's growth.

Yours sincerely



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