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Subject: Objection to the Proposed Development of 250 Houses in Brinklow, Rugby

I am writing to raise serious concerns regarding the proposed development of 250 houses in the village of Brinklow. This scale of development is completely inappropriate for a village of this size and presents numerous issues that have not been adequately addressed. My main objections are outlined below:

• **Road Access Issues**: Access to the site is extremely limited. Entry from Coventry is via Green Lane, a narrow single-track road unsuitable for increased traffic. Other access points include the already congested main road through the village and Heath Lane, neither of which can safely accommodate the traffic this development would generate.

• **Pressure on Local Healthcare**: The village surgery is already overstretched, with appointments difficult to obtain and most only available on an emergency basis. A population increase of around 50% would overwhelm the facility completely, to the detriment of both existing and new residents.

• **Education and Child Safety: Currently**, local children are bussed out to schools. This will have to continue, yet the bus stop on the main road is already a traffic hotspot and a safety concern. Increased traffic will only worsen this dangerous situation.

• **Environmental Impact**: The development borders a green belt area, putting local wildlife and biodiversity at risk. Building on or adjacent to greenfield sites represents an unacceptable loss of natural space.

• **Limited Local Amenities**: The village has only a small shop, which is already limited in capacity. It would be unable to serve the greatly increased population, leading to further strain on services.

• **Availability of Brownfield Sites**: There are more suitable brownfield sites available within Rugby town itself that have not been explored or prioritised. These should be the focus for new housing developments.

• **Loss of Agricultural Land**: Productive farmland will be lost if this development goes ahead—something we should be protecting in the current climate.

In summary, this proposal would overwhelm Brinklow, nearly doubling its size and placing unsustainable pressure on its infrastructure, services, and environment. This level of development is not suitable for a small rural village and should be reconsidered urgently.

Yours faithfully,

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