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Object to Proposal

Please turn down this planning application. The land is in the Green Belt and fulfils the important purpose of assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment. Development on this plot has, I believe, been refused twice by the district council and twice by the planning inspectorate. It is still the same plot of land and it still serves the same important function, so there is no merit in making a third application for essentially the same thing. There is no overwhelming benefit to be had from allowing development of this plot which would be enough to override the function of the Green Belt. According to the Labour party in the run up to last year's election, "grey belt" was supposed to be previously developed land in the Green Belt which had hosted something dilapidated, such as an old petrol station. It is clear that this land does not fall into this category so it would, in my opinion, be wrong to treat it as "grey belt" and therefore OK to develop.

In addition, the lane on which the houses would be built is very narrow so access would be difficult and would make things more inconvenient for existing residents and other road users, especially given that so many houses are supposed to be squeezed onto the same plot. The houses which the applicant says he wants to build or see built are not the type of houses of which there is a lack in St Albans. We do not have the infrastructure to cope with an ever increasing number of houses. The south east of England is very dry and we do not have the water to supply to all the houses that are being planned or built willy nilly.

For all these reasons, the application is in appropriate. Therefore, I request that it be rejected. thank you alison evans