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Sent: 31 December 2012 10:53
To: Bradley Gammond
Subject: WFDC Site Allocations and Policies Development Plan Document

Dear Mr Gammond

OPEN LAND AT THE EASTERN END OF CHURCH VIEW, BEWDLEY

This is a late submission opposing the zoning of this land for housing. The delay is regretted but was due to ill-health.

Attached is an extract of the submitted site allocation maps illustrating the location. Our reasons for opposing the zoning of this site for housing are four-fold:

1. Any building on this steeply-graded site would be an unacceptably dominant skyline development in view from the Bewdley Conservation Area.
2. Land stability would be an issue, given the nature and steep grade of the site. Our understanding is that this area is on the approximate line of what is known as the 'Venus Bank Fault'.
3. At present the site forms a small but precious and unspoilt 'green lung' nature reserve by the town's conservation area environs. It is a wonderful haven for birds and other wildlife. Bats are regularly seen in domestic gardens in this general area, and the open site under reference could well be a bat roosting/nesting site.
4. Part of the site in question already appears to be a 'Local Geological Site' under the nature conservation heading.

We RECOMMEND that this open area at the east end of Church View be zoned as URBAN OPEN SPACE.

May we, through you, ask that these written representations be drawn to the attention of the appointed Inspector appointed to conduct the Plan examination, Claire Sherratt DipURP MRTPI, and to the relevant planning department of the Council.

Yours sincerely

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