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Do you consider that this part of the Local Plan is unsound because it is not: (tick all that apply)

Question 3a

Your Comments

Please give details of why you consider that this part of the Local Plan is not legally compliant or unsound or fails to comply with the Duty to Cooperate.

I would like to offer my thoughts on the Skertingham Garden Village aspect of the plan and object on the following grounds:

- 1) The loss of prime green space, rights of way and wildlife habitat, particularly bearing in mind the wind farm already blighting the adjoining area and the proposed Whinfield bypass nearby which would cut an ugly swathe through pristine farmland.
- 2) The effect of much increased traffic on Whinfield Road and Barmpton Lane, both already heavily used and completely inadequate for the likely number of extra vehicles which will be routed there.
- 3) The inevitable threat of increased flooding down river in areas already prone to such from The Skerne.