

### **Representations concerning possible development of Green Belt land – Matter 3**

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In addition to my earlier concerns about building on land which floods, clearly other properties in the area are at greater risk of flooding from displaced water even if the new properties are raised up, I wish to raise awareness of the presence of much wildlife in the area. My fear is that their habitat may be damaged by building development work and the wildlife could be lost. In particular, early one morning in October 2019 I heard and saw a Little Owl in Ferry Road. This is next to Edgeway Road and very close to one of the proposed Green Belt sites for development. The Little Owl is a protected species. Of course, there are many other birds in the hedges leading to Park Farm too including sparrows, blue tits and wrens. The wildlife and greenery are a delight to many and it would be very sad to lose them. Again, I would urge the Council to re-consider building on Green Belt land which is so precious to so many residents and others who use the paths for walking and to the wildlife itself.