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- Hurst is an 'Area of Special Character' - building in this area will damage this rural setting which has been an area of heritage interest since the 16th Century.
- Wards Cross House and Long Barn Farmstead and historic buildings and building here would ruin their agricultural context as well as cause damage to these listed buildings.
- likewise with Munfin House. The building of other dwellings in such close proximity would ruin its character and attractive nature.
- Hogmoor Lane's tranquillity would be hugely compromised by any extra dwellings along this lane. We enjoy walking down here from our house with our baby and I can't imagine we would want to do so if the fields were taken over by houses.
- Again, Hogmoor lane's network of footpaths and bridleways and general recreational value are treasured by residents of the village. Our son loves walking around this area. Building here will ruin this possibility entirely, just for the sake of a couple of new houses. It doesn't make sense.
- As mentioned on other Appeals and objections for this area, there is a significant flood problem in the field in question. It is not a suitable place to build and the developers have not been able to come up with a suitable strategy to address the flooding issue.
- Finally, the suggestions for how to make the location's access safe simply do not add up.

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