

Wiltshire Council

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Public Participation

Statement From Chitterne Parish Council
On item 7 – Wiltshire and Swindon Waste Site Allocations DPD

Chitterne Parish Council would like to see the Valley Farm Site at Chitterne removed from the Wiltshire & Swindon Waste Site Allocations DPD. We have submitted objections about all aspects of its selection for further development for waste management purposes and are dismayed that the site still remains within the document.

- The land adjacent to the greenfield site proposed for development, is a valley currently used as an inert landfill only for chalk and topsoil and was given planning permission by the Planning Inspector in 1991 solely as an agricultural improvement scheme to fill in the steep valley to make farming safer. “Subject to some careful final shaping, I consider that the end result would reflect the undulating form of the attractive scenery hereabouts and would not look out of place.” (J T Griffiths, Inspector 07.03.91) Once completed and grassed over the effect on the landscape will be negligible. Chitterne Parish Council fail to see how Wiltshire Council can even be considering allowing the development of agricultural land for a permanent industrial type of development in this open, rolling rural landscape.
- Chitterne Parish Council have made very clear in their submissions that the site is unsuitable due to the potential impact of increased traffic movements through the village which already suffers from heavy and speeding traffic where there are few pavements and narrow road widths.
- Chitterne is not local to anywhere, the Parish Council have not been given any information about where the waste is to come from for this ‘local’ site.