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I was very disappointed to hear of the inclusion of the redevelopment of Sainsburys in the Draft Local Plan. I was shocked at the idea of such a large development on the site - 299 separate dwellings! Where on earth would all of these extra people fit in our community? Where are the school spaces for them? The doctor's surgeries? The dentists?

I know of many people who use the Sainsbury's supermarket as the main place that they do their shopping. They use the car park there to shop at Sainsburys then pop out to use the other shops along Green Lanes as the parking there has been massively reduced in the recent years. This alone would impact our local community as the shops along Green Lanes rely on people being able to get to them. In addition to this, I know many parents use the car park to drop their children at Highfield primary school. Without this space, the traffic on the local roads would increase hugely.

The green area around the site is often used by the people living in flats locally, who do not have access to outside space. I imagine that this will increase as the flats in the old police station become occupied. There are always people using the space and it saddens me that they would not have this green space any longer. Also, there are several protected trees in that space and the implications for nature and wildlife if it was built upon would be catastrophic. As I live very close to the area I have been lucky enough to see a red legged partridge, redwings and woodpeckers. We can also hear owls in the trees at night. What a loss it would be to the area if this was to be redeveloped.