

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing in relation to the Local Plan as a long-time resident of Upper Clatford.

Having read the proposed Local Plan and taking into account the different elements for consideration, I feel strongly that Upper Clatford should not be classed as a Tier 3 settlement but rather a Tier 4 settlement, the main reasons being that there are not the 6 key facilities in Upper Clatford eg no school, no shop to name but two. Also, it is not possible to get to Goodworth Clatford except by car or infrequent public transport and for those without cars, that makes this practically impossible.

It is more likely that residents would walk to Andover if they could do so safely and through countryside and green space.

The village has always felt and continues to feel like a real village community and has its own identity as a village. There are numerous village activities and clubs/groups not to mention annual events such as the May Fayre which distinguishes Upper Clatford from either Goodworth Clatford or Andover. The Local Gap between the village and Andover is incredibly important to sustaining this village characteristic and preserving our sense of identity.

Also, we need to ensure that the local streams and rivers are not polluted with sewage discharges, as has recently been the case.

I feel that the climate change and air pollution targets can be met taking into account my comments above.

Many thanks

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