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Sirs,

I am writing in strong support of the continuation of the designation of the Abbots Ann Local Gap.

The gap serves to maintain the separation of the settlements of Abbots Ann and Andover and protects against the encroachment of developments which have already destroyed the individual identities of other villages around Andover.

Abbots Ann has an identity and unique character which is the result of a rich history which needs to be preserved for future generations. It is valued both by residents and visitors who enjoy peaceful countryside walks around the village.

The village is home to a rich diversity of wildlife through the presence of the rare chalk stream which runs through the village. Any erosion of the gap will put this unique environment under threat.

It can already be evidenced that selected development which has previously been permitted within the gap has contributed to significant light pollution to the north of Little Ann, detracting from the character of the village. Any further development within the gap will only serve to further this pollution.

Yours faithfully,

Ann Hughes

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