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Edgmond Parish Council has been working towards its Neighbourhood Plan for some time now and this has involved numerous consultation events and questionnaires. It recognises the views of the community of Edgmond Parish.

It is clear that there remains concern that the rural area will be vulnerable and at risk of inappropriate large scale housing estates unless the Local Plan confirms that such developments are not suitable for the rural areas and that these developments are better in Telford. We need to ensure that the rural area is not urbanised and that the villages do not lose their identities by allowing unnecessary development outside of the village boundaries and into the open countryside.

A significant number of the houses allocated for the rural area are to come forward on the two brownfield sites at Crudgington and Allscott, the Local Plan needs to include confirmation that should these sites not come forward for development including the projected number of homes, then the named settlements will not be expected to take the additional homes.

Edgmond has seen a significant amount of development in recent years, supported by the Parish Council and community on appropriate infill sites within the village boundary. We look to the Local Plan to protect this historic picturesque village from development outside of the village boundary, into open countryside and to restrict the numbers in order that no large scale housing estates can be approved.

Work on the Edgmond Neighbourhood Plan has also confirmed the need for Edgmond Village to maintain its identity, along with the Harper Adams University site and Edgmond Marsh. A physical separation between the three settlements must be retained.

Kind Regards

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