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The proposed development at Redacres Farm for a bungalow and eight low cost houses was raised by parishoners.
An outline plan of the site together with details of the types of low cost property that might be built had been provided by Markden Homes and was used as the basis for discussion.

Questions and concerns raised, in no order of priority were:-

1) Is there demand for this many low cost homes in this area.
2) The present sewerage system serving the area is inadequate, how will the extra demand be met.
3) What will be the effect on wildlife, has a survey and assessment been carried out.
4) CEC policy on affordable homes in the rural areas favours rented occupation. Are these properties to be rented or sold (per the affordable homes 80/20 etc. provisos).
5) Would this development be deemed a loss of agricultural land.
6) This development would be on higher ground than Windmill Close. What steps would be taken to prevent surface water running into the existing gardens and properties.
7) The traffic movement on Windmill Lane would be significantly increased by up to 20 extra cars, all having to use the restricted driveway to the development. Siting a shop with access by the same driveway would make things worse. Of particular concern is the increase in traffic towards Hankelow via the narrow Windmill Lane and bridge.
8) As there are no facilities in Buerton for school children, traffic movements would be further increased increased.
9) Parishoners can not imagine that the shop would be viable. If it is not, then what will it be converted to? Should it be a success then the proposed position is bad for parking and good for congestion.
10) Confirmation is required as to the actual design and positioning of the bungalow particularly with regard to the proximity to and whether it overlooks other properties. This will cause loss of amenity for the existing properties.