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To: [Neighbourhood Plans \(Broadland District Council\)](#)
Subject: Reedham Neighbourhood Plan
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Dear Vicky,

Re: Reedham Neighbourhood Plan

I am the owner of Middle Field and a member of the Steering Group.

I realise that the consultation periods are over but I think that you, the Examiner and the Place Shaping Team should be aware that this plan has not been produced in a democratic and fair manner.

The Introduction says *"the Steering Group is comprised of around 10 people, a mix of parish councillors and residents"* (page 2 Consultation Statement).

This is not true. The Steering Group is actually made up of 5 active members and on average only 4.5 members are in attendance at meetings (see minutes on RPC website). The Chairman and Vice Chair live next to Middle Field. This is blatant NIMBY-ism.

The reason that I write now is because the recent reply from the Steering Group to Mr Ashcroft is misleading. It says 'the community' felt that it would like to see Middle Field retained for its openness'. It is not the community, it is 3 members of the Steering Group.

As you are aware Policy 1 is more restrictive than LGS and in my view there is no justification. Applying the high levels of protection to the whole field is also wrong. Two parts to the village is nonsense - see fig 7.

The initial seven week consultation did not reveal 'retaining the openness' etc. There was support for a central playing field - which I am in favour of. There was no mention of wanting Middle Field it to be preserved as an open space. Policy 1 Middle Field should be deleted.

Please feel free to forward this email and do not hesitate to 'phone me if you need more detail.

Yours sincerely

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