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National Planning Policy Framework

Thank you to everyone who has contacted me about the consultation on the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

The NPPF in its current form provides vital protection from development for Local Wildlife Sites. However many constituents are concerned that some of the changes proposed in the draft framework may remove these protections for Local Wildlife Sites and thus result in these sites being at risk of future development.

Reflecting the concerns of many local residents and local wildlife organisations I wrote to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government to ensure that concerns about the impact of the Government's proposals on local wildlife are considered as part of their consultation.

While it is essential that the housing crisis is addressed, local Wildlife Sites in Birmingham and the Black Country are some of the last refuges for wildlife in our area and there are powerful arguments as to why they should be protected under the National Planning Policy Framework.

Thanks again to all who have contacted me about the National Planning Policy Framework.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Burden'.

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