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Representor	Rep no	Agree with stated objectives Y/N	Preferred option 1/2/3/N	Reasons	Rejected options	Reasons	Other option Y/N	Reasons	Other comments Y/N
Central Herts Green Corridor Group	1023214	N	N	Successful option must cover contamination, ecological, hydrological, cultural and heritage assets/views more fully. These constraints should be accurately and comprehensively mapped before deciding on the placing of the green corridor	All	Option 1 is inadequate. Option 2 is unacceptable as it would not protect the Commons LNR. Option 3 is not a green corridor	Y	NB – 2 separate response letters. Expand Option 1 plus Option 2 plus buffers in Option 3	Y
Davis, Ian	102580	N	N	None of the options alone will “mitigate potential impacts on land which is currently not heavily influenced by human involvement”	All	None of the 3 discrete options adequately addresses the protection of the ecological, cultural or hydrological status of the site	Y	Widen Option 1 plus Option 2 plus screening belt on line of Option 3	Y
Gascoyne Cecil Estates (JB Planning)	906116	Y	N	Detailed critique provided of all 3 options	All	All of the options are woefully inadequate. The options appear to regard development	Y	Prefers option set out in Gascoyne Cecil Estates representations	Y

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						from the edge of WGC to the A414 as an immovable constraint. They are not consistent with the aims of Policy SP12. A width of 100m is inadequate.		dated 4 November 2019	
Hertfordshire County Council (Ecology)	1104980	Y	1	The “only credible link” which also helps to reduce impact of development on LNR	2, 3	Options 2 and 3 provide no link to the LNR and no reduction in adjacent impact	Y	Commons LNR along the edge of the existing built-up area would make better connections with existing ecological sites	Y
Hertfordshire County Council (Historic Environment)	1104980	Y	1, 2	Options 1 and 2 are preferred	3	Includes an area of cropmarks likely to be heritage assets with archaeological interest albeit these are in East Herts DC.	N	Known heritage assets are not mapped. Historic landscape should be conserved as much as possible	Y
Hertfordshire County Council (Landscape)	1104980	Y	N	The resolution of conflicts between people and sensitive habitats & wildlife is not dealt with.	All	A key link running NW-SE axis should be identified at masterplan stage.	Y	Combine all Options	Y
Hertfordshire County Council (Lead)	1209151	N	1	Complements the watercourse. Tie into appropriate SuDS design	2, 3	No adverse criticism of these options but limited analysis of	Y	Elements could also be taken from Options 2 and 3	Y

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Local Flood Authority)						hydrology is commented upon			
Herts & Middlesex Wildlife Trust	866619	Y	1	But corridor should be 250m wide, not 100m	2, 3	Options 2 and 3 do not work for wildlife; do not respect existing habitats nor do they respect predictable current movement patterns	N	N/App	Y
Historic England	1048907	Y	N	Option 1 provides no green buffers to NE or S nor protection for Holwellhyde Farm	All	Option 2 suffers the failings of Option 1. Option 3 also fails to link to Henry Wood and it does not protect Birchall Farm	Y	Combine Options 1 and 3	Y
B.P. Mitchell Ltd (Iceni)	730770	Y	N	All options channel people and wildlife close to active waste management sites	All	Options 1 and 2 should be on the eastern side of Greater Captains/ Holwell Park Wood. Options 2 and 3 should be moved away from Burnside.	Y	Combine Options 1 and 3	Y
Oakenfull, Peter	733547	N	1	Subject to caveats. The setting of Holwell Hyde Farm and Blackfan Fen need further consideration, as does hydrology. 100m width is insufficient.	2, 3	Options 2 and 3 fail to connect to the Commons LNR	N	No alternate option is proposed	Y

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Tarmac Trading Ltd (David Lock Assoc)	1024718	Y	1	With caveats. Should be 50m wide, rather than 100m	2, 3	Neither Option 2 nor 3 connects the Commons LNR with the former landfill site. Also Option 3 relies on land in hostile third party ownership and is not deliverable.	Y	NB – 2 separate documents. Tarmac refer to the “ <i>finer grain, multi-stranded approach to green connectivity</i> ” of their Green Infrastructure Strategy for the site [included as 2 nd document].	Y
Welwyn Hatfield Cycling Forum (Ian Gregory)	743546	Y	1	Stays away from A414 and Burnside	N	No comments made on other options	N	Suggest green bridge, lighting, a tarmacadam surface and additional links	Y