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Re: Additional data on Badger territorial boundaries

Dear Ms Fisher,

I write in connection with the above planning application. I also note the consultation response from Place Services.

As mentioned in my earlier submission, Millers Homes has omitted information on Badger territorial boundaries and the impact that the proposed development will have on Badgers' territory.

I recently noticed there were [REDACTED] - this is just behind the gate of my garden. I set up a webcam and photographed a badger sniffing the latrines on 14/4/25 (see image below).

As detailed in Natural Environmental Research Council (NERC)'s document Badger Field Signs¹: *"Badgers deposit their faeces in small pits or holes in the ground called latrines. Generally a latrine will consist of several pits, although in some cases there may only be one or two. Latrines are used as territorial markers at boundaries between social groups and are typically found next to fences, hedges or prominent features like trees or pylons."*

This indicates that the whole of Field 1 is included in the Badger's territory (it is likely Field 2 and Field 3 are also part of the Badgers territory as Badgers have a territory of at least 30 hectares).

This new information on the Badger's territory needs to be taken into account by Place Services when considering the potential impact of the development on Badgers and necessary mitigation measures.

¹ Badger field signs

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<https://tbhub.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/AR-factsheet-badger-field-signs-230418.pdf>

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Yours faithfully

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