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In their latest written response (Scheme ref TR010040 doc ref TR010040/APP6.1) "community land and assets" 126.9 Highways England repeat their assertion that "Blofield is the main source of community assets within the study area, providing assets such as supermarkets..."

They go on to say, rather dismissively, that there are also some shops in Acle and Lingwood.

We and others have attempted to correct this misrepresentation before. We understand why HE wish it were so and continue to peddle it - if they can convince the Inspector that Blofield provides everything "locals" need, then access to Lingwood and Acle from Burlingham may seem superfluous.

For the record: There is not a single supermarket in Blofield. There is only a small Spar convenience store as part of Blofield Post Office and a small Farm Shop at Norwich Camping, Blofield...

Acle has full-size Co-op supermarket. There is also a Marks and Spencers "mini supermarket" with greater floor area than Blofield shops combined (and consequent choice) at the filling station which alone would be more attractive. There is also a well established Butchers, a Chemist, Post Office, Newsagents, Pet and Livestock Feed store, Food Takeaways, Library, Tyre Fitters, Hairdressers, Beauty Salons, Pubs, Auction Mart plus rail and bus connections to Yarmouth, Norwich and beyond. Lingwood and Acle are our school providers. Lingwood has our Parish Community Hall and Playing Fields.

How are we, the local community, to trust HE assertions elsewhere in their documentation, much of it highly technical, when they refuse to correct this one?