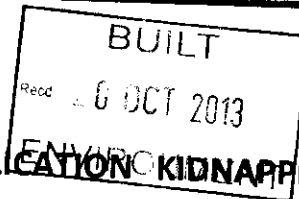


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Land at Leckhampton

Representations

Batch 4



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Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

I STRONGLY OBJECT TO THE DEVELOPMENT
PROPOSED IN THIS PLANNING APPLICATION ON THE GROUNDS
THAT THERE ARE SERIOUS ISSUES OF TRANSPORT AND
OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE AREA WHICH NEED
TO BE ADDRESSED IN THE JCS BEFORE ANY
INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS ARE CONSIDERED. IT
WOULD THEREFORE BE PREMATURE TO CONSIDER THIS
APPLICATION BEFORE THE JCS IS FINALISED.

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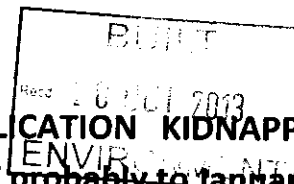


Address

17 ALLENFIELD RD,
LECKHAMPTON, GL53 0LX

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Objections on attached Sheet

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- Another developer has already described this road network as 'broken' and 'is over capacity', the argument being used is that the network is already broken and we cannot make it any worse. This is absolute madness, and precisely why we need the JCS transport plan and traffic modelling for Leckhampton before this application goes to planning committee.
- Air Pollution levels already break EU levels in the winter months on Church Rd and the A46; the whole of Cheltenham has been made a Air Quality Management Area in response to the problem.
- There are insufficient senior school places even now, both Balcarras and Bournside have no plans to expand but catchment areas may have to change to accommodate the new development.

Name



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Address

Longacre Kidnappers Lane

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Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

For reasons already stated on ICS card e.g.
transport, environment, planning plus lack of
verified figures no action should be taken.

Name



Ref. 13/01605/OUT

Address

Hillards Drive Chatterton

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PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION, KIDNAPPERS LANE
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Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

I would like to note my objection to the application of 650 houses off kidnappers lane and the small holdings. This development ^{will} cause huge problems for the infrastructure of Leckhampton, especially for the road system. The developers have no believe it is a solvable solution, but underplaying the amount of extra vehicles and tinkering with one way systems cannot fix this serious problem. This access into Cheltenham will become impossible and residents of Church road and Shurdington road will have there quality of life severely compromised.

Name

[REDACTED]

Address

57 Road Cheltenham
GL53 0PF

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WE SHOULD DEVELOP BROWNFIELD SITES BEFORE BUILDING
ON GREEN FIELDS

THE ROADS ARE ALREADY TOO CONGESTED AND THE AIR
QUALITY NOT GOOD ENOUGH, ESPECIALLY IN RUSH
HOURS

THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH SENIOR SCHOOL PLACES IN THIS
AREA

3x

Name

[REDACTED]

Ref. 13/01605/OUT

Address

10 BRIZEN LANE, LECKHAMPTON

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This planning application should not be allowed to proceed for the following reasons.

- ① The JCS has still to be finalised. All major developments should be deferred until the final forecasts for population growth and housing numbers are confirmed.
- ② Within the locality the existing infrastructure cannot cope with the projected increase in vehicle numbers and the requirement for extra secondary school places.
- ③ A beautiful wild native area would be destroyed and replaced by a 'rabbit-warren' development of houses.

Name

Address

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14 BRIZON LANE

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Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

I have to say that the overall impression is that we have here DEVELOPERS balking for business profit.

The scheme is flawed in many ways

eg The huge traffic problems that will occur

The air pollution increase above acceptable limits.

School places - ? where are there secondary school

places?

The ruination of green fields etc. And who/where are the people who will live there with the work

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Name

Address

The Gateways Farm Lane

GL53 0NN

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ENVIRONMENTAL
KIDNAPPERS LANE

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It would substantially reduce local peoples
enjoyment of the area.
Affect schooling for all local children
Why not 'Brown Fields' sites??

Name 

Address 11 Mead Road GL53 7DV

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Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

It seems sensible for the Application to assist the relevant investigations into transport, environment & population estimates.

Presumably if Kidnappers Lane into Church Rd & Shurdington Road will be closed, then another access road will be built?

Pedestrians find it very difficult to cross the Shurdington Road & there will be a need for more pedestrian crossings / or over-bridges.

There is still no answer as to Secondary schools.

Name

[REDACTED]

Ref. 13/01605/OUT

Address

12 Southport Close GL53 0DQ

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It should not go ahead. The disruption caused by the
construction phase will be widespread and badly affect the
immediate area. The road network and general
infrastructure is inadequate to support the development.
The preservation of the green fields is critical to retaining
the character of this part of one of England's most
beautiful towns. It is wrong to build on green fields while
there are brown field sites that can be used - your role should
not be making it easier for developers to make more money,
it should be to encourage regeneration and re-use of existing sites.

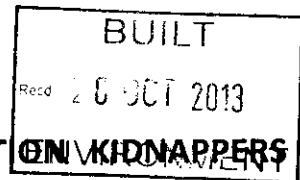
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Address

37 Charlton Lane.....

.. to avoid the urban
sprawl endemic in Glos
tourism-dependent economies.



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Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

NOT SUPPORTED. I'M SURE THERE ARE A VAST MAJORITY
AGAINST THIS DEVELOPMENT, YOU SHOULD ABC WHO ELECTED
YOU AND WHAT MANDATE YOU HAVE FOR THIS EROSION
OF OUR GREEN SPACES.

LISTEN TO YOUR CONSCIENCES, THIS DEVELOPMENT WILL
MAKE LECKHAMPTON A WORSE PLACE TO LIVE FOR US ALL FOR
MANY REASONS. IS THAT THE LEGACY YOU REALLY
WANT TO LEAVE? DO THE RIGHT THING AND THROW IT OUT.

Name

Ref. 13/01605/OUT

Address

57 CHALTON AVE.

BUILT

Recd 6 OCT 2013

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SO MANY HOUSES IN THIS AREA NOT
NEEDED AS JOBS FALL & PLENTY IN BISHOPS
CLEEVE. CONGESTION TO TRAFFIC ON
SHURDINGTON ROAD WOULD INCREASE,
ALREADY ACCIDENT BLACK SPOT AND
TOO BUSY IN RUSH HOURS. LOCAL
FARMING AND ORGANIC MEAT BUSINESSES
ADVERSELY AFFECTED - VERY MUCH
AGAINST.

Name

Address

Ref. 13/01605/OUT

[REDACTED]
4 FAIRFIELD RD LECKHAMPTON GL53 7PE

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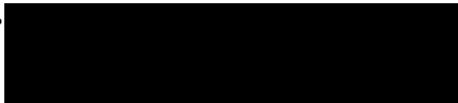
Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

Shurdington Road already congested
No senior school in local area.

Name

Address

Ref. 13/01605/OUT



11 Peregrine Rd
Cheltenham



MERESTONES RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

1 Merestones Close, Cheltenham, Glos GL50 2ST

Planning Department
Cheltenham Borough Council
Municipal Offices
Promenade
Cheltenham GL50 9SA

Email: [REDACTED]

Cheltenham Borough Council			
Planning Department			
23 rd October 2013			
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Dear Sir

Proposed development of 1.94ha land at Kidnappers Lane, Shurdington Road, Cheltenham
Planning ref: 13/01606/OUT

I write in connection with the above proposal on behalf of the Association, which represents around 200 households in the Merestones Road/Merestones Drive area. Whilst our area is situated a little way from the proposed development, we are certain to be affected in several ways if it proceeds, and a number of issues cause us concern.

Our thoughts and concerns largely revolve around three main areas:

Surface water drainage

The Hatherley Brook and its tributaries flows through the Merestones area, so is directly affected by surface water drainage from the proposed development site. We note the various proposals to create catchment ponds and the reference to discharge points Leckhampton 1,2,3. It is clear from the plans that Leckhampton 2 feeds immediately into the Hatherley Brook, and then through the Merestones area. What may not be so readily appreciated, however, is that Leckhampton 3 also flows through part of the Merestones estate to also join Hatherley Brook at a lower point, whilst still within the Merestones area. This means that the vast majority of surface water from the proposed site will combine together, and flow along much the same route.

Both streams (Leckhampton 2 & 3) have suffered from flooding in the past few years, (not just in 2007), and just a few hours continual rain is often sufficient to raise the water flows to concerning levels – this already happens several times a year. The situation is not helped by blockages caused by overgrown trees/fallen branches and undergrowth due to a complete lack of maintenance by the Borough Council over many years, and these can greatly restrict the free flow of water and lead to localised flooding. As an example, one particular blockage has been reported on two occasions (dates available) to no avail. Here one senses that there is a complete lack of clarity concerning areas of administrative responsibility between the Borough and Severn Trent, and we feel this is an opportunity to clarify these anomalies once and for all.



Whilst the proposed ponds in the new development may temporarily hold back any extreme volumes of water, the fact remains that all of this water will eventually have to flow down the same watercourses, and these volumes will inevitably be much greater than currently.

If these proposals proceed, without any additional work being undertaken downstream of the development, we believe there is a real risk of flooding, not just within our area, but also in the other areas further down the brook.

Traffic issues

The A46 Shurdington Road is currently a very busy route into and out of Cheltenham, particularly at peak times when queues of traffic build up in both directions. In both morning and evening peaks, there is usually a slow crawl of continual traffic in both directions, often extending several miles from the Brockworth by-pass through Shurdington and on into Cheltenham.

The proposal seeks to create a new junction between Woodlands Road (an already busy interchange) and Moorend Park Road, and will divert there not only all traffic from the new development, but also the existing traffic in the Kidnappers Lane area. This will create substantial volumes of vehicles at peak times, all trying to access Shurdington Road, in many cases crossing the existing outbound flow of traffic towards Cheltenham, almost certainly resulting in greatly increased congestion.

We believe more thought needs to be given to this aspect, and improvements made to local traffic systems to increase capacity and reduce delays, especially at junctions.

Schooling

Whilst the proposal includes some provision for new schools for younger children, it simply assumes that children of secondary school age will go to existing schools within Cheltenham. There is a suggestion that the nearest school is Bournside, and that it can be accessed via the St James' primary school area. As it is likely that many parents will use private vehicles to take their children to school, the impact upon traffic levels seems at best to have been put to one side, and at worst ignored completely. St James School itself is already scheduled to increase substantially in size over the coming years and is facing considerable pressures on vehicle access and parking, where already major issues are emerging. To encourage residents of the proposed new development to use the St James school route is nothing short of lunacy.

What is needed is a more coherent approach, which minimises any impact on traffic volumes arising from the school run.

Summary

This is a major development, which will have far reaching repercussions on existing local residents for many years into the future. Being aware of the Joint Core Strategy Agreement between the adjacent Local Authorities, and also future housing requirements, we are not against the proposal in principle, as we accept that some development will be necessary over the coming years.

We do believe, however, that there is needs to ensure that such a development takes into account the needs and lives of those already living in the area, and not just the landowners, developers and future homeowners of the proposed development.

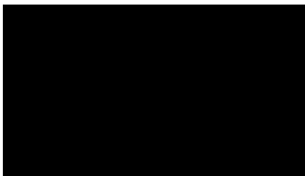
In particular therefore, we strongly feel that the Council should:



- Require the developers to deposit substantial commuted contributions to clear stream banks and undergrowth of all downstream watercourses, not just at construction stage, but also for the future. Thought should also be given to implementation of sensible long term landscaping schemes. This is necessary to ensure that existing residents downstream of the development do not have to pay the price of greater flooding.
- Insist upon a detailed look at overall traffic flows into and out of Cheltenham along the A46, and explore ways of improving these, taking into account the predicted additional traffic from the new development. The developers should be required to contribute towards the cost of such improvements.
- Require the developers to implement systems for the transport of secondary schoolchildren to avoid the use of private cars as much as possible. For example we view the provision of a free bus service from the development to Bournside, Balcarras & Pittville schools (journeys which already affect the Leckhampton area) essential.

We hope you will agree that our views are constructive, and that they can be taken into account when the application is being considered. Should you wish to consult with our committee on any point, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully



Chairman Merestones Residents Association

CBC Planning
Municipal Offices
CHELTENHAM
GL50 9SA

Cheltenham Borough Council Planning Department			
PASSED TO			
REC'D	28 OCT 2013		
Chief Executive		Type of Request	
Head of Planning		File Ref.	

16 Treelands Close
Leckhampton
CHELTENHAM
GL53 0DF

24 October 2013

Dear Sirs,

Outline Planning Application (REF. 13/01605/OUT)

I strongly object to the outline planning application, Ref 13/01605/OUT, as submitted by agents for Bovis Homes Limited and Miller Homes Limited

Accordingly, I urge Cheltenham Borough Council to reject the application for the following reasons:-

1. Traffic Congestion - Health Risks & Unsustainability

- i. Traffic congestion on the A46 approach to Leckhampton is already a recognised problem and becomes very severe during peak hours. The high levels of traffic, on the A46 and Church Road, create a health risk through damage to air quality, which falls below acceptable levels in winter months, contributing to the designation of Cheltenham as an Air Quality Management Zone.

NB. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), the cancer arm of the World Health Organisation, has officially classified air pollution from traffic as a definite cause of cancer. **IARC Scientific Publication 161 "Air Pollution and Cancer" - October 2013.**

- ii. Previous reports by HM Inspectors have acknowledged that there is little scope for mitigating the impact of additional traffic on the A46 Shurdington Road and/or Church Road, and have rejected earlier development proposals in the area on the grounds of the unsustainable impact of additional traffic from proposed sites.
- iii. The additional traffic generated by the proposed 650 dwellings (i.e. up to an additional 1,000 vehicles based on the existing cars per household ratio) would exacerbate the current problems, resulting in gridlock on the A46 at peak times and a further increase in air pollution levels.

2. Flood Risk

- i. Flooding severely impacted parts of Warden Hill during 2007 but, despite the building of only a minimal flood protection scheme, the area would still be at significant risk of further flooding if adjacent land was built on. We need the existing fields to act as a natural soak-away at times of heavy rainfall. It is now accepted that periods of extreme rainfall are becoming more frequent as a result of climate change.

3. Shortfall in School Capacity

- i. Local secondary schools have been oversubscribed for some time and do not have the capacity to provide for significant additional demand. For example, both Bournside and Balcarras have indicated that they have no plans to expand despite operating close to full capacity now.

4. Amenity Value

- i. The proposed site currently provides a “green lung” on the edge of Cheltenham, comprising farm land, allotments and a number of well used footpaths. The land and boundary hedges are currently a haven for a wide range of wild life. The existing land usage delivers high natural landscape and amenity value for local residents to enjoy through their use of the footpaths and allotments.
- ii. Research has shown that the natural amenity value of green spaces provides both physical and mental health benefits for local residents. (e.g. Barton & Pretty 2010, Pretty et al 2005, Bird 2004).
- iii. This natural amenity value would be lost forever if the proposed development were approved.
- iv. In addition, the special character of Cheltenham would be diminished by more development along the currently attractive A46 approach.

5. The Proposal is Premature

- i. For the reasons set out above the proposal should be rejected now, but in any event it should not even be considered for approval in advance of the agreement of the Joint Core Strategy (JCS) by participating Authorities.
- ii. The current *draft* of the JCS remains subject to further consultation and many questions. A number of key underlying statistics (e.g. re traffic modelling & population estimates) require verification before the final plan can be produced.

Please reject the Outline Planning Application (REF. 13/01605/OUT).

Yours Sincerely

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted Address]

Alderman Robin MacDonald

Longacre

Kidnappers Lane

Cheltenham

GL53 0NR

15th October 2013

Cheltenham Borough Council Environment Group			
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Dear Sir

As a former Borough Council and County Council for Leckhampton, and a member of the committee of Leglag and I wish to make the following general comments which are those that have been made by Leglag as I am unable to comment myself due to illness (see attached).

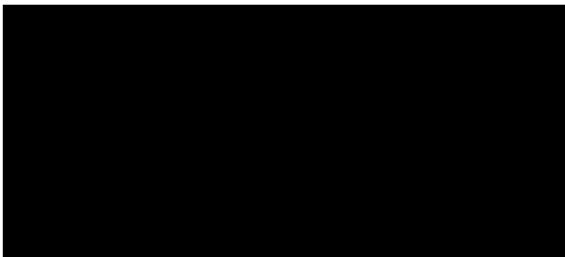
I have seen the master plan for the development of Leckhampton, and have the following comments concerning my property.

Any development the overlooks my property will be objected to. Thus the development at the front of Longacre which is described as medium development will be the subject of an objection if it involves properties of more than single height.

We have regularly maintained the grass verge (since 1987) between our hedge and the tarmac of road comprising Kidnappers Lane. Any attempt to transfer the legal title to the developers will be opposed.

The houses that are planned to be built at the rear on my property, separated by Hatherley Brook, will be on a higher level of ground which will be therefore comprised of concrete so when we are having heavy rain the brook most likely will flood on to our side.

Yours Faithfully



c.c. County Council , Developers

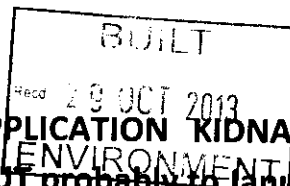
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- **An additional estimated 1000 extra vehicles will ALL exit onto the Shurdington Road.**
 - **Another developer has already described this road network as 'broken' and 'is over capacity', the argument being used is that the network is already broken and we cannot make it any worse.**
- This is absolute madness, and precisely why we need the JCS transport plan and traffic modelling for Leckhampton before this application goes to planning committee.**
- **Air Pollution levels already break EU levels in the winter months on Church Rd and the A46; the whole of Cheltenham has been made a Air Quality Management Area in response to the problem.**
 - **There are insufficient senior school places even now, both Balcarras and Bournside have no plans to expand but catchment areas may have to change to accommodate the new development.**

The JCS 'preferred option' is for 33,000 houses to be built across our much loved green spaces over the next 20 years, this will change forever the area in which we have chosen to live. Only two years ago, the local people requested housing targets of 16,200 with a strong brownfield first policy.

- Verification of the JCS population projection over the next 20 years, offered by the Office of National Statistics (ONS), has not been taken up. Instead the three councils are using interim, short-term figures, despite clear warnings from the ONS that birth rates could be over estimated.
- Cheltenham does not have the infrastructure for this level of development, school places, health services, transport and jobs are all under pressure. The transport/traffic modelling will NOT be available until AFTER the JCS consultation is complete. This is critical information for Leckhampton.
- If you look at what the 2011 census tells us, we currently build many more houses to cover the inwards migration of 2614 per year, five times higher than our natural increase in population of 511 for the whole county, and this is happening at a time when we are losing jobs in Cheltenham. Between 1991 and 2009 the number of jobs in Cheltenham fell by 7,600 (all data from the JCS Evidence Base).
- Evidence is needed from the Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) a vital source of information on the housing need.
- The LIB DEM controlled council has not stated a clear brownfield first policy prior to the JCS becoming finalised next year, this greatly affects Leckhampton with large planning applications now submitted.
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Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

Having seen the development of Up Hatherley and
Farm Lane over the past 20 years and the
corresponding growth in traffic, demand in
schools, doctors etc, we believe that this latest
application will have a detrimental effect on
the area, causing further traffic jams and the
general urbanisation of the area - no more country walks
etc. with having to travel further afield. There is also a
concern that the developer will reduce the amount of
affordable housing if the economic climate is not right.

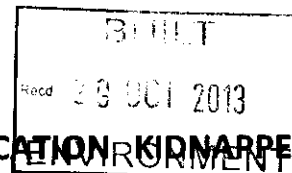
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128 CANTERBURY WALK
WARDEN HILL
CHERTENHAM GLOS HP8 3HF



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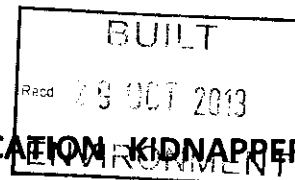
No More Houses

Let's Keep The Green Fields Green!

Name [REDACTED]

Ref. 13/01605/OUT

Address Filcars Close



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The A46 is already highly over-congested. Further traffic would make this route untenable and a major hazard for children waiting for buses in the mornings.

The application should NOT be passed without further growth plans in secondary school places.

Please record the OBJECTIONS of Richard & Sam Reader

Name



Ref. 13/01605/OUT

Address

10 PAINSWICK RD, CHELTENHAM

P.S. We desperately need open spaces, easily accessed, for our sanity and well being.

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Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

I object very strongly to the above planning application as I believe the traffic would become unsustainable at peak times it is already grid-locked and dangerous to shoppers in both Rd + locally generally. There are not enough senior school places for children, even now.

The land in question is important for food production locally + recreation i.e. walking etc on the footpaths is a haven for wildlife + very peaceful for walkers. Air pollution is already a serious health problem.

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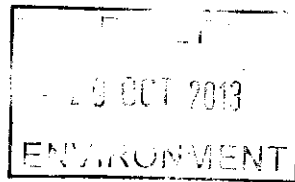
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Address

14 Pylod Rd, Cheltenham GL53 9AP

Please do NOT allow this development, I beg you.
S. Carter

83 Heckhampton Road
Cheltenham



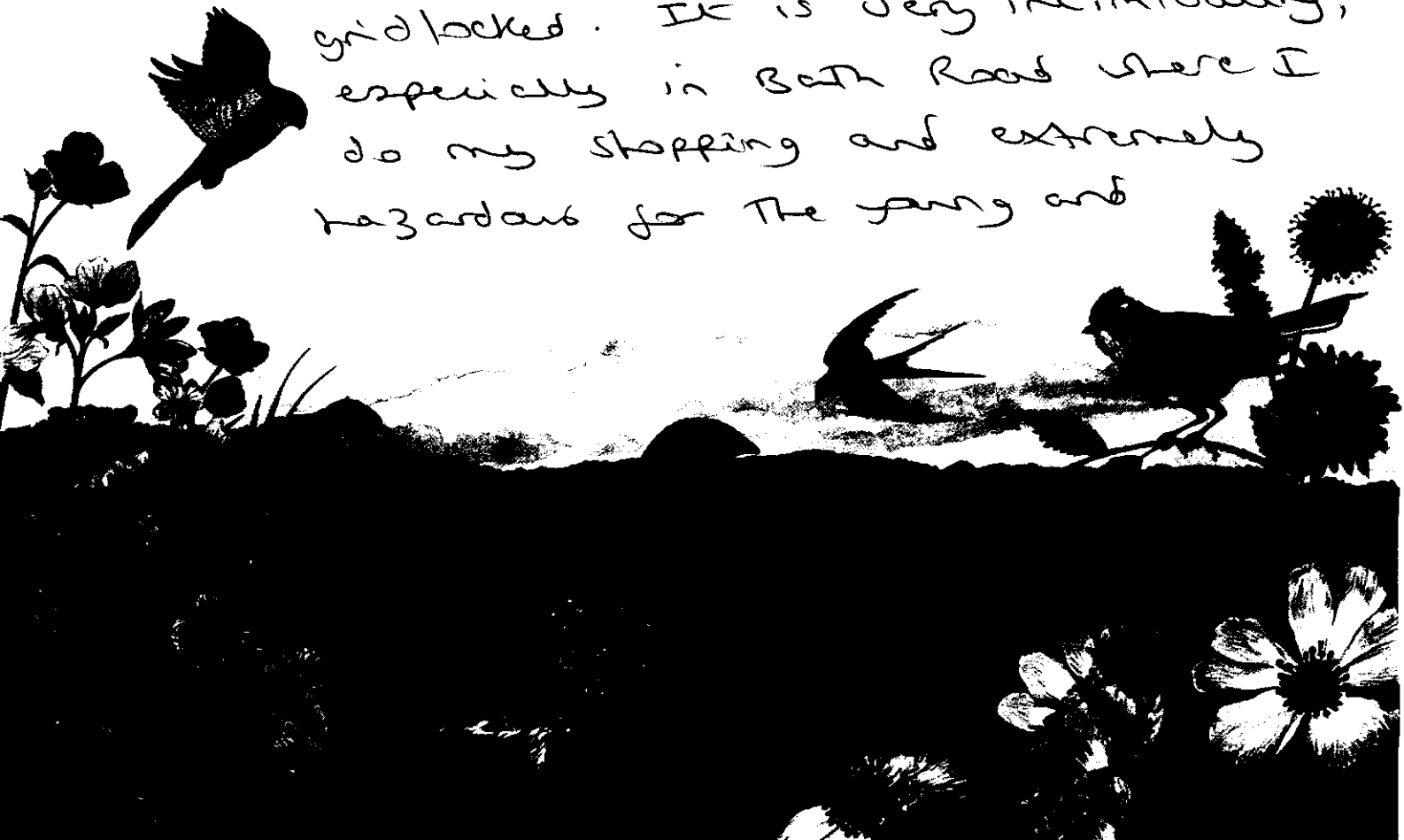
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G663 035

Dear Planning Officers,

Ref. 13 / 01606 / OUT - Heckhampton Green Fields

I wish to object in the strongest way to the above proposed development for the following reasons:

The traffic down Heckhampton Road and on the Shurdington Road is already very heavy and at peak times totally gridlocked. It is very intimidating, especially in Bath Road where I do my shopping and extremely hazardous for the young and



elderly. Impatient and aggressive motorists coming in and out of Cheltenham. This development would make the traffic situation unworkable.

Air pollution levels are already very high on the A46 and around Church Road in the winter months and is a threat to health.

Locally produced food has been grown on the allotments and small holdings for as long as I remember; it is very good agricultural land and should not be used for development.

This area is also widely used for healthy, outdoor activity and is a haven for wildlife eg.

cats, owls, dormice and many other creatures.

I implore you not to allow

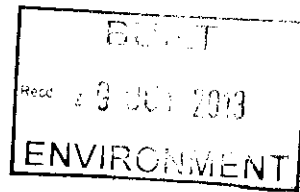
This massive development to go ahead.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs S. J. MARY



14 PILFORD ROAD
LECKHAMPTON
CHELTENHAM
GL53 9AQ
24.10.13

Dear Sirs,

APPLICATION NO. 13/01605/OUT

I wish to object most strongly to the above planning application.

For the whole of my adult life a presumption has existed that the Green Belt should not be built upon - for one reason amongst others to prevent "urban sprawl". Has this principle now been abandoned? Later on the status of A.O.N.B. was created in order to protect areas of outstanding natural beauty being ruined by development of the type proposed by the above planning application.

Specific problems which will arise from the proposed development are that.

- (i) An additional estimated 1000 extra vehicles will all exit onto the Shurdington Road.
- (ii) Apparently another developer has already described this road network as "broken" and "is over capacity". The argument being that since the network is already broken it cannot be made worse. This concept is completely illogical.
- (iii) Air pollution levels already break EU levels in the winter months on Church Road and the A46. Clearly an extra 1000 vehicles is not going to help.

The above reasons are why I oppose the planning application.

Yours faithfully, David Catton

21 St. David's Road,
Warden Hill,
Cheltenham, Glos.
GL51 3HL

21 OCT 2013

23rd October, 2013

CBC Planning,
Municipal Offices,
Cheltenham,
GL50 9SA

Dear Sirs,

**Outline Planning Application Ref: 13/01605/OUT
Kidnappers Lane and Small Holdings.**

This planning application is premature, and must not go before the Planning Committee until the Joint Core Strategy for the whole area has been finalised and agreed by the Inspectorate.

I believe that the population estimates for the JCS area have been miscalculated and the figures for the increase in persons living in the area over the 20 year period, are exaggerated and need to be checked with the Office of National Statistics, before deciding where houses and other amenities will be needed.

It is a gross folly to plan for the exit of cars from 650 houses plus other amenities all into the Shurdington Road. The road is already overloaded and the whole system broken.

Air pollution levels in the area already break EU levels in the Winter months.

Brown field sites should be used ahead of open green spaces.

Living in the Warden Hill area, I believe the building of so many houses, above the level of Warden Hill, places the area in danger of further flash flooding as was experienced in 2007. Yes, I know a barrier was built, but concrete over vast areas above the protection zone and the water will be released to the barrier, and cause flooding and even perhaps the washing away of the Shurdington Road.

Additionally, this application may provide a primary school, but what about the crisis already in existence for secondary school places?. There is a horrendous outcry from parents as children are being brought in from places as far away as Wales to take places at Pates Grammar School, meaning that children born and brought up here are squeezed out. Until sufficient provision is provided, which will take years, building further houses here is unwise. Children grow up and immediately a new site is built there will already be children of secondary school age needing a school.

Full consideration should be given to the Local Green Space application, proposed by the Leckhampton with Warden Hill Parish Council, which would allow this area to be used for recreational and other pursuits, as has been the case for many, many years.

Yours faithfully,



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Outline Planning Application Ref: 13/01605/OUT
Kidnappers Lane and Small Holdings

1. This application is premature, and should not go before the Planning Committee until the Joint Core Strategy for the area of Cheltenham, Tewkesbury and Gloucester has been finalised and accepted by the Inspector.
2. All aspects of planning, transport, environment and the population estimates contained in the housing targets of the JCS must be verified before consideration of this application by the Planning Committee.
3. Various aspects of this planning application, are completely unacceptable:
 - i) 650 houses alone, exiting onto the Shurdington Road will cause another 1,000 or so vehicles entering a road system that has already been described by another developer, as broken. Add to this the extra chaos which will be caused by all the traffic entering the area for the GP surgery, school, care home etc. Only a madman would even suggest it. This is why it would be totally irresponsible to consider this application prior to the traffic/transport modelling results being available.
 - ii) Air pollution levels already break EU levels in the Winter months on Church Road, and the A46. The whole of Cheltenham has been made an Air Quality Management Area in response to the problem.
 - iii) The open countryside of this area has immense value to wildlife, biodiversity and the people of Cheltenham demonstrate this as it is a favourite walking and recreation area for many of the Cheltenham people and many tourists to this area, will be found walking here, with a map hanging from chains around their necks.

For this reason, Leckhampton with Warden Hill Parish Council, has placed before the local Councils, a request for consideration of a Local

Green Space area, all in compliance with the NPPF, for much of the area that the Developers now wish to build over. Full details of this proposal should be favourably considered, before agreeing to this Application.

iv) It is understood that if this Application were approved, the primary school would not be built until the second phase of the development was complete. In the meantime, where would the children go to school?. I understand there are few if any, vacancies elsewhere. Also there are insufficient senior school places.

v) Warden Hill will again be at risk by the building of so many houses from flooding, when there are freak storms. The flood barriers will not withstand the extra pressure from land being concreted over in the Leckhampton area. Water will find its way down to Warden Hill, and a repeat of the 2007 disaster will occur, when many homes had to be evacuated, some for months at a time.

These are just a few of my objections to an ill considered planning application.

I reiterate, this application should be turned down as being premature, until the Joint Core Strategy has been thoroughly checked for accuracy and finalised and approval has been given by the Inspectorate.

Yours faithfully


The Cottage on the Green
The Green,
Badgeworth,
Cheltenham
GL51 4UL

26th October, 2013

Dear Sirs,

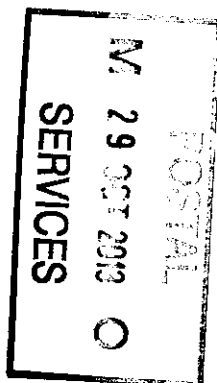
Re Planning Application 13/01605/OUT

I am writing to object to the above planning application.

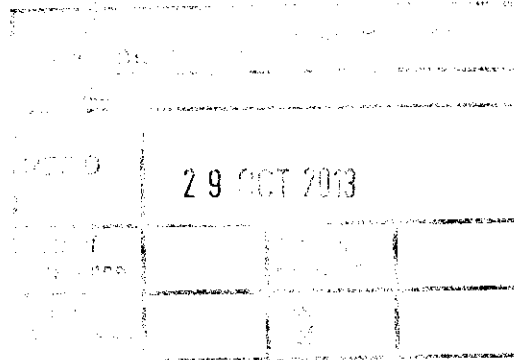
Is the continued sprawl of Cheltenham necessary when population numbers have levelled?

This development will make more traffic congestion on Shurdington Road, possibly leading to the construction of a Shurdington Bypass, cutting a swathe through acres of the green belt and precious farmland in Badgeworth, causing light, air and noise pollution and loss of wildlife habitat.

Yours Faithfully

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the signature and name of the sender.

Mr Craig Hemphill
Cheltenham Borough Council
Municipal Offices
Promenade
Cheltenham
GL50 9SA



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105 Promenade
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Gloucestershire
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25 October 2013

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Dear Mr Hemphill

Re: 13/01605/OUT - Land at Leckhampton, Shurdington Road, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire

On behalf of two Clients who have land interests on both Kidnappers Lane and Church Road including business use, I write in respect of the above referenced planning application. My Clients control land to the west of Kidnappers Lane and my other Clients control land to the north of Church Road. My Clients land is under promotion through the relevant consultation stages of the Joint Core Strategy (JCS) for inclusion within the Leckhampton strategic allocation for reasons that will become apparent below.

From the outset it is important to confirm, this letter is not an objection to the principle of development in this location, particularly given its planning history. This part of Cheltenham Borough is not Green Belt land, nor is it part of the Cotswold Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Along with surrounding land, it has no formal designation in the current adopted Local Plan and in that context can be described as 'white land'. Furthermore, it has now been identified as a growth location within the emerging Joint Core Strategy which has been recently published as a draft for consultation.

Separate representations will be made to JCS in connection with this application site as well as my Clients land. Our representations will demonstrate that there is a clear evidence base for development growth in this area of Cheltenham Borough and this location is a sustainable location to accommodate growth in the JCS having regard to footnote 9 (NPPF, Paragraph 14). However, it will be highlighted that there is no precise or accurate evidence base to limit the Leckhampton strategic allocation boundary to the extent illustrated within the JCS Draft for Consultation (Plan 6). More specifically, it will be demonstrated that the exclusion of the land to the west of Kidnappers Lane and land to the north of Church Road is illogical and detrimental to the delivery of a properly planned and sustainable urban extension in this location.

The overarching issue which this representation raises is whether the format of development as proposed by Miller Homes and Bovis Homes is indeed sustainable development, and as such whether it should be granted planning permission in its current form, having regard to Paragraph 14 of the National Planning Policy Guidance Framework (NPPF) and the presumption in favour of sustainable development. In its current form, the application proposal is not sustainable in relation to NPPF and should not be granted planning permission and this letter goes on to explain why. That said, modifications could be made by the applicants to overcome this.

To understand why this letter focuses upon the NPPF rather than the adopted Gloucestershire Structure Plan or Cheltenham Borough Local Plan, reference should be made to paragraph 215 of the NPPF and the limited level of weight that can now be attached to these documents and their policies. Paragraph 215 of NPPF explains that weight that policies in Structure Plans and Local Plans can be given is directly related to their consistency with the NPPF and for that reason this letter is framed around that document.

The application proposal is a residential-led scheme comprises 650 dwellings and ancillary mixed used development including retail, pharmacy, GP surgery and 4,500 sqm of undesignated floorspace which could be utilised for a number of uses including additional class A1 retail, class B1 offices, class C2 care home and/or class D1 uses, along with a network of access routes, landscaping and strategic open space. The application is submitted in outline with access to be determined and all other matters reserved.

The application is accompanied by an illustrative masterplan (drawing no. 500-001-C), a residential density parameter plan (drawing no. 500-006), and various technical documents including Environmental Statement, a flood risk assessment (FRA) and a transport assessment (TA).

It is noted the site-specific FRA only makes passing reference to the Level 2 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment especially commissioned by the local authorities to support the Joint Core Strategy investigations. There is a significant difference of opinion between the conclusions of the Level 2 SFRA and the site-specific FRA. The site-specific FRA states at page 8 that the flood mapping prepared by JBA Consulting on behalf of the applicant is superior to the Level 2 SFRA. Even so, the applicant recognizes that some development will be in Flood Zone 2. On the face of it the proposed development includes land which is in Flood Zones 2 and 3 which is inappropriate for residential development.

With regard to the SFRA Flood Zone 2 and having undertaken approximate calculations in respect of the individual land parcels indicated on the density parameters plan (drawing no. 500-006), it is estimated that 96 dwellings of the proposed 650 will be located within Flood Zone 2.

The illustrative masterplan when read in conjunction with the Level 2 SFRA highlights there are alternative areas of land that are not within Flood Zones 2 and 3 that could be developed. These areas should be identified in the sequential test required by application of the NPPF and the technical guidance. As such, the application proposal is currently contrary to the NPPF in respect sustainable development, when there is alternative and lower flood risk land available that should be included (the land to the west of Kidnappers Lane and land to the west of Church Road).

In assessing whether the application proposal is sustainable development, regard should be also had to the appropriateness of the proposed density of development relevant to the site context. With reference to the submitted masterplan and density parameter plan, it is estimated that the areas of high density development (41-55 dph) will cover approximately 4.14 hectares of the application site, and between 170 -227 dwellings based on the higher density range indicated. This proportion of high density development is considered wholly inappropriate to the local context and unsustainable with regard to NPPF, paragraph 58. There is a need to significantly reduce the proportion of higher density

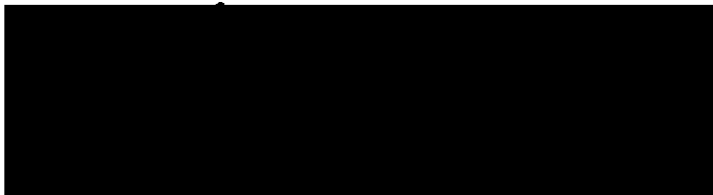
development to deliver a scheme which is more appropriate to the site context, including the local built form and urban edge location. The application proposal is overly ambitious in respect of the number of dwellings proposed within the application site and the density of development proposed. This further emphasises the need for additional land to be identified to accommodate the proposed development in a sustainable development.

A further consideration concerning the illustrative masterplan, and also shown on the Access and Movement Parameter Plan (drawing no. 500-003 Rev A), is the depiction of the highway proposals. It is noted the transport assessment recognizes that land west of Farm Lane, already allocated in the extant Tewkesbury Borough Local Plan, will come forward, however there is no attempt to show on the illustrative masterplan positive connectivity with other development. It is considered that land between Kidnappers Lane, Church Road and Farm Lane should be included in the development proposals so that comprehensive links can be formed. This is important if it is intended as shown to close-up sections of Kidnappers Lane and Farm Lane. Indeed my Clients operate businesses that require unfettered access to Kidnappers Lane, Church Road and Farm Lane and I therefore strongly object to the potential road closures restricting these enterprises; my Clients would however consider amendments to the road network if it is part of a comprehensive proposal for the wider area.

For these reasons land to the west of Kidnappers Lane and land to the north of Church Road should be allocated and recognised with the application masterplan.

Whilst the need for a comprehensive masterplanning approach is recognised, the illustrative masterplan includes a significant area outside the applicants' control and without confirmation that the land will be made available for development; it is unreasonable to use this plan as a basis for the grant of planning permission if in doing so it affects other landowners' interests.

Yours sincerely,



Associate Director

PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION KIDNAPPERS LANE
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Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

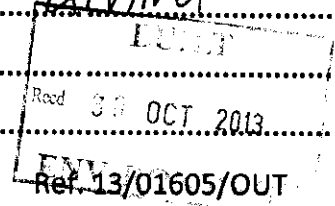
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ENJOYED BY MANY PEOPLE, BUILDING HUNDREDS
OF HOUSES ON IT WILL BE A HUGE LOSS.
THERE ARE CERTAIN PARTS OF CHELTENHAM
SUITED TO MASSIVE HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS,
LECKHAMPTON (KIDNAPPERS LANE) AND SHURDINGTON
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DIVIDE FROM SURROUNDING AREAS, GIVING
CHELTENHAM ITS CHARACTER.

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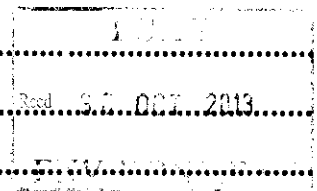
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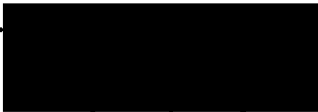
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Arterial routes for people to get to work, town
and schools and other services are totally inadequate.
The current infrastructure is stretched to its limits.
There is already virtual gridlock on Shurdington Rd.
during the rush hour.



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Sandy Lane Rd Charlton Kings.

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Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

Before planning for the easy green field development every effort should be made to use each & every brown-field site. As already commented before the danger of flooding is a reality. The increase in traffic on Shurdington Road/Bath Road is causing tail backs back to the roundabout on the A46. Needless to say there is an attendant pollution problem. Both of these issues can only get much worse.

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I endorse the 5 objections listed.
and also the overall view that the
application is premature and that
the SCS should be finalised and
all relevant aspects should be verified.

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17 MERTON WAY
GL53 0LT

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The planning application should be rejected.
The road network is already severely under
pressure & would be wholly inadequate
should the proposed development proceed.
The levels of pollution would be quite
unacceptable. Likewise other infrastructure
would be inadequate & overwhelmed.
It is probable that any politicians who support
this application will be punished in future
elections.

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Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

Building on this land has already been
proved to be a flawed development.
Please refer to all other proposals and
the reasons planning was denied.
However, let's go round the loop again...
Transport, Environment & Population
estimates have not been verified. This applic-
ation is very premature. Please DO NOT build
on an OPEN SPACE enjoyed by thousands. People
with easy access to OPEN SPACES are happier

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and healthier
both physically & mentally

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34, MENLIW WAY
LECKHAMPTON

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CHELTENHAM NEEDS THIS OPEN SPACE

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This threatens our green belt and extends the boundary of Cheltenham -
once built on these green fields can never be regained. The infrastructure
around South Cheltenham - Leckhampton & Shurdington especially - is already
at breaking point. PLEASE turn down this application. We cannot cope with
the additional estimated 1000 vehicles - the road is gridlocked without
them. Pollution levels are already exceeded in winter months &
Cheltenham already suffers high asthma rates. There is no nearby
motorway link to the M4, so all these cars will have to travel via
Birdlip for London/Stroud - this is already an accident hot spot. The
road network cannot cope already and without demolishing houses
in Church Road cannot be alleviated. Please do not allow these

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Suffolk House
166 Leckhampton Road
Cheltenham GL53 0AA

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houses to be built & further
risk our child's lives with even
busier roads.

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CART BEFORE THE HORSE! FIN-ALISE JCS FIRST

THE A46 INTO CHELTENHAM IS ALREADY A DISINCENTIVE
TO TRAVEL INTO CHELTENHAM - 650 HOUSES (1300 CARS)
CAN ONLY MAKE IT WORSE - DO THE TRAFFIC
MODELLING BEFORE FALLING FOR THE DEVELOPERS
SALES PITCH

GREAT WAY TO DESTROY THE UNIQUE ESSENCE OF!

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CHELTENHAM

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Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields to Cheltenham

- PLEASE SIT IN YOUR CAR AT 8.30AM and join the queue travelling
- 1) We should do all in our power to resist URBAN SPRAWL and destroy our glorious countryside.
 - 2) Narrow Lanes are totally unsuitable for heavy traffic caused by an extra 650 HOUSES
 - 3) Where will these new occupants find school places? Doctors?
 - 4) Shurdington Road can not cope with any more traffic.

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Address 11 THE LANES
GL53 0PH

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Address 1 LINDINGTON CLOSE GL53 9AH

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(d) I am personally affected / deeply concerned by the health and accident risks from the traffic queues and pollution that would result from the proposed development.

(e) I / my family greatly value the Leckhampton fields for recreation. I strongly support the case made in the LWWH and Shurdington Concept Plan for preserving the land as a Local Green Space for its amenity value, footpaths, landscape, wildlife, history and impact on views from Leckhampton Hill.

Other comments:

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Name Ref: Planning Application 13/01605/OUT

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Other comments: f) Have all Brownfield Sites been fully investigated?
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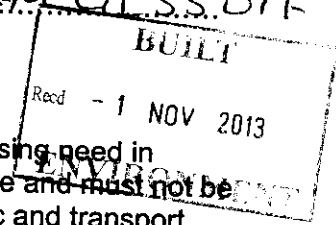
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Other comments: The homes going to the meat packing unit are banned from using Church Rd due to a weight restriction with the planned changes in Leckhampton Lane mean they will return to using Church Rd?

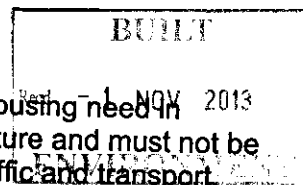
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Other comments:

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Name

Ref: Planning Application 13/01605/OUT

Address 3 PILFORD CLOSE, CHELTENHAM, GL53 9HA

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Other comments:

There are not enough primary school places for the expected 2014/2015 intake. Where are an extra 300 homes worth of children going to go?

Where are children of secondary school age going to go?

Name

Ref: Planning Application 13/01605/OUT

Address 89 Moorend Rd, Leckhampton, Cheltenham, GL53 0HB

(include, delete or modify the following statements as appropriate)

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Other comments:

Further reference to item (c) above: —

The village already suffers from 'rat run' traffic using residential roads — these developments would render this situation unbearable.



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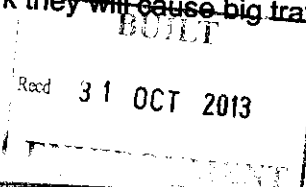
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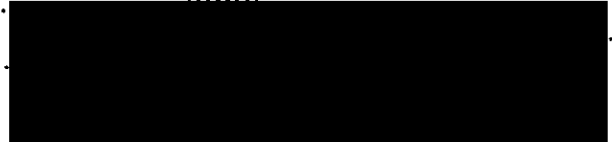
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PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION KIDNAPPERS LANE
13/01605/OUT - Official End Date 18th OCTOBER (BUT probably to January 2014)

Comments & Observations on 650 House Application on Leckhampton Green Fields

The area is already very congested with
traffic to & from the M5 junction 11A.
The Shurdington Rd - & Bath Road are
almost gridlocked at busy times - we
are losing all our green spaces - Up Hatherley
is over developed now & we have no nice
Doctors Surgery or Schools. This whole area
is being spoilt -

Name

[REDACTED]

Ref. 13/01605/OUT

Address

Maplehurst, Sandycroft Rd - Cheltenham

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Recd - 1 NOV 2013
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PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION KIDNAPPERS LANE
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My main objection to this development is the lack of infrastructure in terms of transport that this estate will burden the area with even more than the existing population does. I also am worried about local unemployment rates increasing due to the lack of opportunities opening up within the development - certainly not enough to fulfill all 650 houses with employment.

I therefore wish that you would reconsider this development and find it to be an unsustainable development and an incredibly bad idea.

Name

[REDACTED]

Ref. 13/01605/OUT

Address

FLAT 1, THE PITS, OLD STATION DRIVE,
CHELTENHAM

Recd - 1 NOV 2013

PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION KIDNAPPERS LANE
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We are strongly opposed to this development. As parents with children in the area we are very concerned about the pressure this will place upon schools and the local infrastructure. It is ludicrous to think that Sherdingford Road, which is already a very busy road and Church Road, could support the extra volume of traffic that would be generated. This is a very ill thought out plan and lacks logic and a balanced and reasoned understanding of the dynamics of the area.

Name



Ref. 13/01605/OUT

Address

2 Hobby Close Cheltenham

22 Campion Park

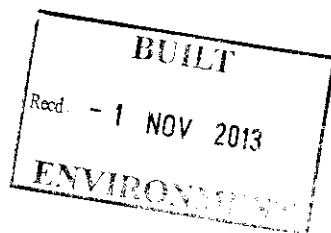
Up Hatherley

Cheltenham

GL51 3WA

26 October 2013

Dear Sirs



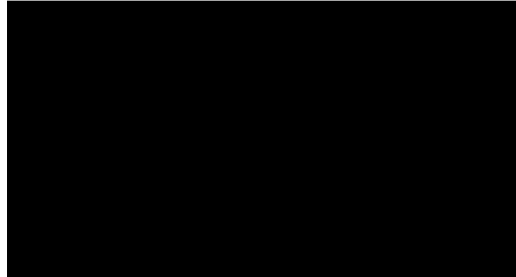
Re: Proposed development 800 houses Up hatherley/Chargrove

I hereby give you notice that I wish to strongly object to the above proposed development for the following reasons:

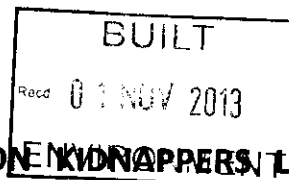
1. Up Hatherley Lane, Shurdington Road and the B&Q roundabout are already subject to queues at peak times and will become gridlocked if this development takes place. There are likely to be more accidents.
2. There are only 2 local supermarkets, namely Morrisons and Asda, and their car parks are nearly full most of the time. It will not be possible for everyone to park at these supermarkets if the development goes ahead.
3. The local schools are already full. How will children be able to get educated at local schools?
4. Doctor and dentist surgeries are already very busy. How long will residents have to wait for an appointment? A long time, thereby causing risks to health.
5. It is inconsistent and madness to downgrade Cheltenham Hospital and possibly move Cheltenham Police Station to Bishops Cleeve and then build hundreds more houses in Cheltenham.
6. When Up Hatherley Way was constructed, the Council agreed it was a permanent boundary for the greenbelt. The Council should stick to this agreement.
7. The 2011 Assessment of the greenbelt decided that the Chargrove area of the greenbelt was vital. Why is this being ignored?
8. The proposed growth in population figures have not been verified and many believe them to be inaccurate so that the number of houses proposed is unnecessary.

9. The construction of 800 homes will reduce the greenbelt between Hatherley and Shurdington by 50% which is unacceptable.
10. There will be less country footpaths for local residents to use and destruction of wildlife and their habitat.

Yours faithfully



To: Public Consultation, Joint Core Strategy Team, Municipal Offices,
Promenade, Cheltenham. Glos. GL50 9SA>



PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION ENKINAPPERS LANE
13/01605/OUT - Official End Date 18th OCTOBER (BUT probably to January 2014)

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- 1) ROADS CANNOT cope WITH INCREASED
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 - 2) MAY/HEM FOR SCHOOL PLACEMENTS
ESPECIALLY SENIOR SCHOOLS
 - 3) OVER CAPACITY
 - 4) YOU MUST LISTEN, FAILURE WILL BE DETRIMENTAL
TO ALL PARTIES
- Name [REDACTED]
Address 30 BRIZEN LANE LECKHAMPTON

Ref. 13/01605/OUT

The Littlecroft
Shurdington Road
Leckhampton
Cheltenham
GL53 0NJ



28th October 2013

CBC Planning,
Municipal Offices,
Cheltenham,
GL50 9SA

Your ref: 13/01615/OUT

Dear Mr Sirs,

Re: Outline Planning Application Number 13/01615/OUT

I am writing to object to the above planning application to build on Kidnappers Lane and the small holdings in Cheltenham.

I believe the proposal is fundamentally wrong and should be refused for the following reasons:

This application is premature, and should not go before the Planning Committee until the Joint Core Strategy for the area of Cheltenham, Tewkesbury and Gloucester has been finalised. Also all aspects of planning, transport, environment and the population estimates contained in the housing targets have been verified."

The development falls within the green belt and our local plan is supposed to protect this. Until a new local plan is in place the development should be refused.

We should be keeping our countryside/greenbelt, for the benefit of future generations. Developers should be asked to re-develop all brown field sites BEFORE taking any green spaces.

The land being considered for development around Leckhampton is very valuable asset to Cheltenham.

People come from many other areas of Cheltenham to walk the paths that criss-cross the fields. More and more people are to be found out with their animals and families at the week-ends particularly walking and enjoying the fresh air - and the chance to relax away from the stress of everyday living, which in turn, keeps people fit and happy.

The site is marked in **RED** in the recent JCS Greenbelt review i.e no development should take place.

Why let our countryside/greenbelt be developed when housing needs can change so easily. Look how everything is changing - our high streets for instance - It could be that in a very small number of years, housing will replace many of the empty shops, more and retailers are turning to the internet for sales and abandoning the high street.

Consideration should be given to the jobs and income derived from the tourism industry that brings people to Cheltenham, it is not just the shopping and regency areas which bring people to

our town, it is the closeness of the countryside and the beauty of the landscape. If we allow the developers the opportunity they will ALWAYS take the most profitable land, i.e. greenbelt land in prime locations.

The JCS takes no account of the last four previous inspectors recommendations that large scale development in the Leckhampton area be rejected and that the rural character should be protected.

They also stated that the Shurdington road is already heavily congested and the air quality figures break EU air pollutant limits. The Shurdington road is already log jammed, most mornings I can't turn right out of my drive and have to do a 'U turn' at Morrison's round about.

Cheltenham is supposed to be an Air Quality Management Zone and this development will have a seriously detrimental effect on those people living along the boundary of the Shurdington road.

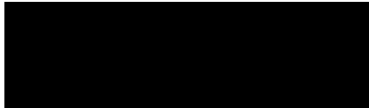
The Halcrow JCS Strategic Flood Risk Assessment, July 2011 identifies that Hatherley and Hambrook in Leckhampton are at high risk of flooding. Area's that have historical records showing incidents of flooding should be treated as flood zone 3A; at risk and not suitable for development.

Over 40 houses were flooded in 2007 in Warden hill, the Shurdington road floods regularly from the surface water runoff from Leckhampton hill and although there was some minimal flood defence work put in place this does not take into account the loss of protection that these open fields offer from flood risk.

We know from recent experience that the local schools are already oversubscribed and there are few local employment opportunities which will mean more car journeys along an already congested and polluted road.

Once the countryside is built on it is gone FOREVER, no one is denying that we need more housing but we have an responsibility to ensure that they are built in suitable locations, i.e. begin with brown field sites so as to enable us to retain as much of our unique landscape as possible.

I look forward to receiving your response.



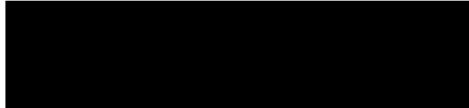


Our Ref: T7087/LK/RGW/02

Your Ref:

Date: 22nd October 2013

Entran Ltd
12 Greenway Farm
Bath Road
Wick
Bristol
BS30 5RL



Dear Sirs

Planning Application; 13/01605/OUT, Land At Leckhampton, Shurdington Road, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire

I have reviewed the TA that accompanied the above referenced application, and would like to make a formal objection to this application based on the following observations.

JCS Accessibility Analysis

The TA correctly reports that the JCS clearly identified Leckhampton as having the lowest category of accessibility in the Cheltenham area, yet the TA seeks to suggest otherwise and identifies a few reasons why. It is fundamental to this process that such an assessment is updated before any irreversible decisions are made.

Junction Analysis

Throughout the report, it is acknowledged that additional analysis information will be made available once completed. No decision on the acceptability of the proposals can be made until such information has been presented.

The analysis presented in the TA reports that the following junctions will be operating beyond their operational capacity.

1. A46 Shurdington Road/Leckhampton Lane Priority Junction
2. A46 Shurdington Road/Woodland Road Priority Junction
3. A46 Shurdington Road/Moorend Park Road Signalised Junction

In summary, rather than focusing on any individual junction, what the analysis shows is that these junctions will, in 2023, be operating either in excess of their theoretical operational capacity or significantly in excess of their theoretical capacity in both the base and development scenarios.

Disappointingly, it has not been reported how these junctions currently operate so no comparison can be made with what is witnessed now. This analysis should have been presented. Nevertheless, in simple terms, what this analysis clearly demonstrates is that the local highway network is, by 2023, significantly broken.

Furthermore, such significant capacity issues arise by 2023 that any further development beyond the operational capacity of the network should be restricted, but with no 2013 model or any interim models, at what point in time this might be, or how development numbers might be scaled back is not known.

Such information must be made available if a reasoned and quantified decision on the acceptability of the proposals presented in this TA and other proposals for the Leckhampton area is to be made. It is not acceptable just to say that the network is broken without knowing when.

One would have normally expected the TA to address the development's own impact, even if a junction is operating over capacity. Good practice would be to seek to bring the impact of the development back to the before development condition i.e.; nil detriment. No mitigation measures are proposed.

In addition to the above, all the analysis presented assumes that the SD2 and Brockworth developments go ahead. As an absolute minimum, a sensitivity test should have been undertaken assuming only background growth to 2023. The real impact of the development on the local highway network could then have been identified and mitigation proposed.

The reported traffic delays and queuing levels at these junctions should be further considered in terms of noise and air pollution and their impacts quantified.

Link Analysis

Throughout the report, mention is made of traffic conditions along the A46 quoting a 23% increase in traffic up to 2023. This is then highlighted via the presented junction analysis indicating that a number of junctions will be operating beyond their theoretical capacity. Given the significant level of impact the various developments have on the A46 corridor up to 2023, a full link analysis should have been undertaken.

Such an analysis would have assisted in understanding the volume of traffic expected to travel along the A46 during peak periods, what residual traffic might still be on the highway network outside the peak periods, how this might impact on the ability of buses to viably use this corridor, the impact on pedestrians, cyclists as well as noise and air quality.

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Vehicle Re-routing

The TA reports on the use of a Saturn model to inform the TA process. However, it is well known that once links and junctions are at capacity such a model will seek to redistribute traffic to create a more balanced network.

No reporting on any vehicle re-routing is included in the TA and so concerns are raised as to whether vehicles have been modelled as re-routing through residential estates. Clarification on this point is sought.

Highway Safety

Whilst highway safety has been considered in relation to the impact of the development over-and-above the baseline, no consideration has been given to the increase in traffic from 2013 to 2023.

Once again this is a vital piece of missing information. Such an analysis should be addressed during these years as it cannot be the case that such an increase in traffic will not lead to an increase in accidents. Of course this is also a part of the bigger picture for development in this area, but without this information no sensible and qualified decision on the acceptability of either of these proposals or the overall quantum of development proposed for the area can be made.

Contrary to what the TA reports, Leglag commissioned a separate accident analysis which is appended to this letter. This report concludes that the present levels of traffic in Leckhampton, and particularly along the A46 Shurdington Road, lead to a significant number of injury accidents every year, as well as a fatality.

Once again this appears to suggest that the network is already at capacity and any increase in traffic along this network may have a significant effect on highway safety.

Pedestrians

It is disappointing that a full walking audit to essential facilities has not been undertaken, particularly given the forecast increase in pedestrian movement resultant of the development proposals (4.7.8). As a very minimum, routes to schools should have been assessed against criteria such as footway width, condition, existing usage and the ability of the footpaths to cater for additional peak hour demand. Local observations indicate that they cannot and additional pedestrian traffic could result in more pedestrians being forced to walk in the road, or not being able to be accommodated at existing crossing locations.

Without a full pedestrian route capacity analysis a reasoned and quantified decision on the acceptability of the proposals presented in this TA and other proposals for the Leckhampton area cannot be made.

Public Transport

The A46 is identified as a public transport corridor and one that might benefit from a park-and-ride facility. Mention has been made of this in the TA, but states that the Council's study in to the effectiveness of such a facility has not been completed. In addition the report suggests that the results of this study may require the submitted analysis to be reviewed.

Without completion of this report and additional analysis (if required), the viability and therefore the deliverability of such a scheme must be questioned.

Impact on the Strategic Road Network

The submitted TA fails to deal with the impact on the strategic road network, only referencing on-going discussions (sections 1.2.3 and 6.6), this is a major deficiency in the report and makes the conclusions somewhat misleading.

Within this section of the TA, reference should have been made to DfT Circular 02/2013 'THE STRATEGIC ROAD NETWORK AND THE DELIVERY OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT' Key references in this document include;

Development proposals are likely to be acceptable if they can be accommodated within the existing capacity of a section (link or junction) of the strategic road network, or they do not increase demand for use of a section that is already operating at over-capacity levels, taking account of any travel plan, traffic management and/or capacity enhancement measures that may be agreed. However, development should only be prevented or refused on transport grounds where the residual cumulative impacts of development are severe.

However, even where proposals would not result in capacity issues, the Highways Agency's prime consideration will be the continued safe operation of its network.

The overall forecast demand should be compared to the ability of the existing network to accommodate traffic over a period up to ten years after the date of registration of a planning application or the end of the relevant Local Plan whichever is the greater. This is known as the review period.

The preparation and implementation of a robust travel plan that promotes use of sustainable transport modes such as walking, cycling and public transport is an effective means of managing the impact of development on the road network, and reducing the need for major transport infrastructure.

None of the above has been addressed in the TA, which is a major omission. Until these issues have been satisfactorily addressed and reported accordingly (Section 1.2.3 advises that addendums will be produced), a decision on the acceptability of the proposals cannot be made.

Missing Information/Addendums being prepared

- i. Measures for Leckhampton Lane
- ii. Paramics modelling and resultant discussions with the HA
- iii. Additional application area forecasting and modelling using 2011 census data
- iv. Report on Park-and Ride
- v. JCS traffic modelling

Required Information to enable a Qualitative Decision on the Development Proposals to be made

- a. Missing information identified above
- b. Junction mitigation proposals
- c. Link analysis
- d. Accident analysis

- e. Pedestrian capacity analysis
- f. Junction sensitivity testing
- g. Updated accessibility assessment
- h. Public transport viability assessment

Recent road accidents in the Leckhampton area involving injuries and fatalities; Report for Leglag, 18th January 2013, by C.M. Bell

This report is based on detailed accident reports provided by the Gloucestershire County Council Accident Investigation and Prevention Section to Gerry Potter on 13/12/2012. The data on injury accidents covers the 10 year period between 1/01/2002 and 31/12/2011. Information on fatalities covers the 20 year period 01/01/1991 till 31/12/2012.

The area considered for injury accidents is bounded by:

- The A46 Shurdington Road-Bath Road between Shurdington and Thirlestaine Road
- Leckhampton Lane-Church Road
- Leckhampton Road

Summary

There were 123 reported injury accidents in the area under consideration in the 10 years between 2002 and 2011. Approximately 70% of the accidents occurred along the A46.

Number of accidents reported 2002-2011:

Year	Number of accidents	Casualties
2002	21	24 slight
2003	17	23 slight
2004	15	19 slight, 1 serious
2005	10	12 slight, 1 serious
2006	13	14 slight
2007	12	18 slight
2008	9	9 slight, 1 fatal
2009	8	6 slight, 2 serious
2010	9	7 slight, 1 fatal
2011	9	6 slight, 3 serious

7 accidents involved serious injury and two involved fatalities. 21 of the 147 casualties were pedestrians, 15 were cyclists and 15 were motorcyclists. The report does not state whether the decrease in the number of accidents and casualties was due to differences in the methodology of reporting or to an actual decrease in the numbers.

There were 59 injury accidents on the A46 between Shurdington and the Norwood roundabout and 28 on the Bath Road between the Norwood Arms roundabout and Thirlestaine Road.

Blackspots on the A46 were:

- Shurdington Road-Leckhampton Lane junction (Bell pub), 14 accidents
- Morrison's roundabout, 4 accidents
- Woodlands Road turnoff, 5 accidents
- Moorend Road traffic lights, 12 accidents (note this junction has been upgraded)
- Norwood Arms roundabout, 9 accidents (note this junction has been upgraded)
- Bath Road (Norwood Arms to Thirlestaine Road), 28 accidents

Blackspots on the Leckhampton Lane-Church Road were:

- Shurdington Road-Leckhampton Lane junction (Bell pub), 14 accidents
- Farm Lane-Crippetts Lane, 6 accidents
- Leckhampton Road-Charlton Lane intersection (double mini-roundabout), 5 accidents

Fatalities

There were 9 fatalities in the area under consideration and in the immediately surrounding roads in the 20 years between 1991 and 2012. This is approximately one every two years.

08/01/1991	Pedestrian in Bath Road
15/03/1997	Driver and passenger, junction of Farm Lane and Leckhampton Lane
14/11/1997	Driver on A46 near Hatherley Cricket Club
28/10/1999	Cyclist between A46 roundabout and Morrison's Supermarket
23/10/2007	Driver Naunton Lane
04/11/2008	Pedestrian A46 near Hatherley Cricket Club
01/02/2010	Cyclist Leckhampton Road
04/12/2012	Cyclist/pedestrian A46 Shurdington

Conclusions

The present levels of traffic in Leckhampton, and particularly along the A46 Shurdington Road, lead to a significant number of injury accidents every year, and a fatality roughly every two years. The proposed residential development in this area would produce a large number of extra car movements which would need to be controlled and carefully managed.

National Policy – The TA demonstrates that developing along the Shurdington Road corridor is contrary to NPPF.

I trust that the above comments will be given due weight and request that this letter is passed on to the planning case officer and highway development control officers accordingly.

I look forward to hearing from you shortly.

Yours Faithfully

