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**LOCAL PLAN REVISED DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY: CONSULTATION 14th JUNE TO 29th JULY 2013**

Dear Sirs,

I write to support the New Local Plan Revised Development Strategy; in particular I support the absence of development on the North Leamington Green Belt around Milverton and Blackdown.

The Revised Development Strategy has a fair distribution of new housing across the District, including plans for new houses in the Green Belt at Thickthorn and Lillington as well as proposed development in villages however further use of Green Belt would be unsustainable.

The exclusion of development in the North Leamington Green Belt enables the plan to comply with the NPPF. Any attempt to re-introduce further development in the North Leamington Green Belt would be unacceptable and be bitterly opposed as no exceptional circumstances exist for any additional development in the north Leamington greenbelt. The land is a vital and immeasurable resource for the future of the district and is critical to its future sustainability.

I understand that a Joint Strategic Housing Needs Analysis is currently being performed with Coventry City Council. If this review identifies that it is necessary to increase the number of houses above those currently proposed I believe that there is sufficient non Green Belt land to accommodate this additional development.

Having the majority of the development in the South reduces traffic congestion and reduces air pollution; it enables better provision of public services such as schools and other facilities such as infrastructure along with better access to the employment hubs in the South. It will also mean that it will enable the concentration of the majority of the funds from the CIL to be in one area thus providing better value for money allowing a better result from the spending of the CIL for more residents.

I also believe that the new Country Park to the Sites South of Warwick and Whitnash should be moved so that it is between the existing houses and the new development allowing easier access for the residents from both sides of the parkland rather than just benefiting the new development, thus creating a green lung and reducing pollution, why should only the new houses have the easy access to this land? Moving it would encourage more residents to benefit from the ease of having recreational ground near to them thus promoting healthy living and giving the existing houses a buffer from the new development.



I would urge the council to adopt this new plan as to further delay will have disastrous consequences for the district as without an approved plan or one that can stand scrutiny by the Government inspector the district council will have to approve planning applications by developers that are not in the districts interest and the developers involved in these applications may not have to contribute to paying towards the CIL.

Yours faithfully,

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