





New Local Plan, Warwick District Council. Riverside House. Milverton Hill, LEAMINGTON SPA, CV32 5HZ.

16 th April 2016.

Dear Sir/Madam,

NEW LOCAL PLAN

As a resident of Learnington Spa I would like to expresss my views on the Proposed Modifications (2016) Local Plan. .

I would like to comment on the following modifications:

Modification:

Removal of land north of Milverton from the green belt.

Mod. Number:

16

Paragraph Number:

2.81

Mod. Policies Map Number: H44

Modification:

Allocation of land north of Milverton for development.

Mod. Number:

14

Paragraph Number:

Policy DS15

Mod. Policies Map number: H44

250 houses and a park-and-ride scheme are proposed to be built on the Geen Belt in Old Milverton

Land for a further 1,100 houses, employment opportunities and a railway station is to be removed from the Green Belt and held for use in the future, probably within 5 years.

This land is to be used to meet Coventry City Council housing needs.

The "Exceptional Circumstances" needed to remove this land from the Green Belt do not exist. There are lower value Green Belt sites closer to Coventry, which on the basis of planning precedent should be used in preference to the land in Old Milverton.

Coventry Green Belt land for Coventry Housing should be used and not Old Milverton Green belt land.

The idea that Warwick District Council should promote commuting from Old Milverton to Coventry is ill-conceived, irresponsible and bad planning.

The Green Lung between Learnington Spa and Kenilworth will be reduced to less than 11/2 miles and wild-life habitat and valuable farming land will be lost.

The proposed park-and-ride scheme could result in serious flooding when fields are concreted, shoppers are unlikely to use the park-and-ride when there is plenty of parking in Leamington Spa, and there will be no dedicated buses.

The A452 is already a traffic problem at certain times of the day, and weekend, and the possibility of 1,000plus additional cars could result in traffic chaos.

BUT the key point is that this plan is to meet the needs of COVENTRY housing – and areas of lower value Green Belt land have already been identified on the edge of Coventry- so why Old Milverton?

Yours sincerely,

