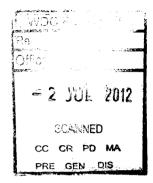
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Dear Mr Barber

New Local Plan Preferred Options- Kenilworth

We found the Kenilworth Forum meeting very enlightening re the outline plans for development of 770 dwellings and associated support buildings eg schools, offices etc on the area covering the Cricket/Rugby sites next to the By Pass.

We are really in favour of keeping the land for agricultural and sporting facilities.

However if the plans must go ahead we offer the following comments and suggestions We have lived here in Glasshouse Lane for over 40yrs. Many changes have taken place in Kenilworth since the 1950's and in this vicinity we have seen Knights Meadow estate built on fields and now become a mature area with trees and spinneys and criss- crossed with many footpaths. The schools in Leyes Lane may have been built before the estate.

We believe that the proposed new development with its increase in pupil numbers is an opportunity to relocate the 3 schools from Leyes Lane and Rouncil Lane onto one site next to the By Pass and provide new buildings with up to date facilities for students in the 21st century and with adequate school sports Halls and playing fields.

The building area lost would be compensated for by selling the present sites for housing.

The By Pass is very noisy despite it being built in a cutting and having the concrete surface replace by tarmac. It takes an increased volume of traffic especially since the M40 link was opened. Therefore offices and schools would be better sited along the By Pass boundary, obviously with triple glazing. Private housing will have gardens (larger allocations in the new plans we have read.). By building the new schools and sports facilities and offices along the boundary they would help to absorb the noise when residents are 'growing their own' or relaxing outside.

We live on the opposite side of the lane from the Rugby Club so have fields and houses to buffet some of the noise but we find the drone of the traffic from the By

Pass very intrusive when we are in our garden especially so when the wind is in a certain direction.

Is it really necessary to relocate the Cricket Club? Our suggestion would be to move the entire Rugby Club to its grounds next to the Cricket Club. Car parking facilities could be shared at times when an overflow is required. The old site with Clubhouse and pitch could be used for housing. This would save much time and effort in finding new locations.

We hope these thoughts are found constructive and eventually will be put together with other written ideas you will receive and help you to form a plan.

The infrastructure link roads etc will be very complicated we know but it has been suggested on the plan that feeder roads will channel the increased traffic away from Glasshouse Lane /Birches Lane towards Learnington Road and the large island. We are very much in favour of this proposal.

Many drivers do <u>not</u> keep to 30mph despite flashing lights. The bend straightening scheme near Rocky Lane only encouraged drivers to go faster! One cannot remove all bends out of life! The exception being the Roman Fosse Ways and modern day motorways!

Yours sincerely

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