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Objection to Erewash Core Strategy

Review: Site SGA 1- Land At Acorn Way

Matter 6/1.3

HS/Acorn Way/6.3

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Good Morning

My name is Gillian Genever.

Following my objection to this proposal submitted in Spring 2022, I confirm that I still object on those points and on the following grounds:

Building on Greenbelt has to be considered only as a last resort. I have not seen any evidence based reasons or reports as to why non-greenbelt land within Erewash has even been considered or why dismissed.

Building on Greenbelt at a time of massive Climate change seems nonsensical.

I cannot see how this proposed development would benefit Erewash other than to reduce numbers on their new build targets and add revenue from Council tax. It is doubtful that Erewash residents would want to move to what essentially would be an extension of Oakwood, Chaddesden and Spondon.

Derby City Council would incur all of the costs with none of the revenue.

Increased traffic from an extra 600 homes in the area would cause huge congestion and increased air pollution.

Morley Road cannot cope with all the traffic as it is, especially at rush hour and School opening and closing times.

Numerous accidents have occurred in the area including a pedestrian being knocked over on Morley Road recently and a car overturning landing on its roof, following a collision on the Morley Road and Acorn Way roundabout only last week.

As I understand it there is no provision for additional Bus Services or routes, just a proposal to ask bus service providers to increase their services. Morley Road is currently abysmally served, only having one bus per hour Mondays to Saturdays and NO service on Sundays. This would result in new residents being more car dependent, as they would not be able to get to local amenities.

There are no proposals to provide any extra GP surgeries. Those in the area are already over subscribed and understaffed ( there is also currently a National shortage of GPs). It can be nigh on impossible to contact local practices by phone.

There are no proposals to provide any additional Schools. Those in the area are already oversubscribed, resulting in children of existing residents struggling to secure a place, having to travel out of area which adds to road congestion and air pollution.

Morley Road is already classed as a Medium risk flood zone and High risk in some parts, regularly flooding in lower areas. Building on green fields would exacerbate the risk of flooding.

A recent report by the National Audit Office published in The Times on 15 November 2023 suggests that with Climate Change bringing more frequent and heavy rainfall, flooding as a result of new housing is inevitable.

Drainage ditches and ponds are not always the solution: recent heavy rain caused flooding on Mansfield Road at its's junctions with Brookside Road and Lime Lane and in Breadsall village when the drainage ditches and pond at the smaller, new development Lime Tree Court, on the other side of Oakwood, couldn't cope and overflowed.