



29<sup>th</sup> June 2012.

Development Policy Manager, Warwick District Council, Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Leamington Spa. CV32 5QH.

Dear Sir,

## Proposed Development in the Green Belt North of Learnington Spa.

My wife and I, who have lived in Blackdown for over 30 years, are writing to object to the above development. We understand that the land is specifically designated as Green Belt to protect urban sprawl, encourage urban regeneration, stop Towns from merging into each other and protect the countryside setting of historic towns. This is why the Green Belt North of Learnington is so precious. It was established to stop Learnington and Kenilworth merging.

We recognise the need to plan for the future housing and infrastructure need of our communities, but we strongly oppose the current proposals to build on the Green Belt in between Leamington and Kenilworth because it is an important barrier to stop towns merging. It will also result in the loss of a significant amount of high quality agricultural land. It will reduce EVERYONE'S ability to walk, ride, cycle and enjoy this important Green space. It will have a detrimental effect on the picturesque northern gateways to Leamington and |Kenilworth, turning them in to another Europa Way and contributing to these Towns losing their identity. It seems to us that the Proposals do NOT comply with the Government's National Planning Policy Framework for development in the Green Belt.

We also understand that there are alternative sites in the South of Leamington. Potential land has been identified and is, we understand, available. It is also easier to develop, there is the INFRA STRUCTURE to support it, and it was in the previous plan that was adopted by Warwick District Council. This previous plan did not involve development of the Green Belt North of Leamington.

We must, therefore, formally OBJECT to this Proposal.

