

Part B - Commenting on the Preferred Options

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Paragraph number / Heading / Subheading (if relevant)

Broad Location of Growth

Map (e.g. Preferred Development Sites – Whole District)

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Support

Object

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Summary

We support the concentration of growth within and on the edge of existing urban areas, but consider that Coventry should be included within the list of settlements identified in paragraph 7.9. Table 7.2 should be amended accordingly.

Discussion

It is appropriate for most new development to be within or adjacent to the largest settlements which provide the greatest opportunities for sustainable living. Paragraph 7.9 states that the most sustainable locations are Warwick, Leamington, Whitnash and Kenilworth. Within the District this is an accurate assessment, but it is also appropriate to look at sustainable settlements which adjoin the District boundaries as there may well be opportunities there to provide housing will have less of an impact on the wider area.

Coventry adjoins part of the northern boundary of the District. It is a substantial settlement with a huge range of services and facilities, employment opportunities and shops. It also has many bus routes both within the settlement and to other areas, as well as train links. Development on the edge of Coventry is potentially more sustainable than development elsewhere and should not be entirely discounted. Moreover it is known that many people living in Warwick District commute daily to Coventry, so the provision of housing on the edge of Coventry has the potential to reduce the distances people commute.

We make a separate representation in favour of the development of land at Oak Lea, on the edge of Coventry. This policy should be amended to include reference to development on the edge of Coventry, which would allow development at Oak Lea to take place.