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The Planning Policy Manager
Warwick District Council,
Riverside House,
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Dear Sir,

Ref proposed development in Kenilworth

I wish to protest at the latest version of the Local Plan for Kenilworth.

It has come as a shock to see that at the last minute even more development is proposed for the south side of the town with the proposed infilling of the two sites of Kenilworth school. This adds a few more hundred houses on top of those already proposed. Can this be suddenly forced on the town without consulting the people who live here?

I also wish to protest against the ripping up of even more green space in this quarter of town. Not only are the two rugby sites and the Wardens Cricket Ground disappearing, but also the school playing fields. Surely there should be a considerable amount of green space within the development area in order to balance out this lop-sided plan.

The extra traffic from the sheer volume of new houses planned for one part of this small town will add to the poor quality of air. The fumes from the very busy nearby A46 and A452 already cause poor air quality. In addition there are already long delays due to traffic congestion at certain times of the day. The extent of the proposed plan will make the area more like an inner city suburb. The roads simply were not designed for this level of traffic and will make the entrance to the town from Leamington very unattractive.

I also wish to protest at WDC's lack of taking into account local feeling. The public were told there would be a consultation, but WDC have disregarded the majority view and opted for a much heavier level of development. What has happened to democracy? What was the point of the consultation? It was clearly not to listen to the public. Instead we are told that public opinion is disregarded in order to appease the land owners, and because the developers will give us a "free" school building if we give them a big enough site to develop. What kind of planning laws allow this situation to come about?

