

Dear Sirs

I write in objection to the amendments to the housing plan in Hampton Magna. I have been unable to fill in the online form hence this letter.

I am a resident of the village and have lived here for 37 years. I now have a young family and a child who attends Budbrooke School.

I do not believe the plan is by any means sound.

There are a number of issues already affecting the village which will clearly be exacerbated by the increase in housing.

1. The traffic around Hampton Magna, through Hampton on the Hill, and especially around Warwick Parkway and the Birmingham Road is terrible. It is getting considerably worse each passing month. As you will well know the roads have become gridlocked on several occasions over the last few weeks due to (in some case minor) accidents on the M40, A46 and Birmingham Road. Clearly the vast increase in housing will make this considerably worse.
2. The access roads are not only unfit for purpose but they are not built to hold the traffic. Please look at the roads on Hampton on the Hill. They are narrow, full of pot holes and surrounded by parked cars. The additional housing you intend to build will dramatically increase the vehicles passing through from this direction. The plan cannot be considered sound if access to the housing is via these roads?
3. The village amenities are already overstretched, parking for the school and shops is very poor and I have personally seen near accidents including buses, pedestrians and cars. The intended access point (down Woodway Avenue) will worsen this problem.

No one can understand the logic in only considering land which is for sale and not compulsory purchase? This means you are incredibly limited and therefore considering options which only 3 years ago were refused planning (i.e. the field at H51). How can you reasonably argue that the position has changed enough to destroy greenbelt land? How can it be said that there are exceptional circumstances now? This field is used constantly by dog walkers and children playing. It is accessed by Mayne Close where children play on bikes, roller blades and play ball and tennis. Building on this field will not only have a detrimental effect on the environment but also on the children and resident of the village who have used that field for years.

The main issues here are not loss of that field but the mess it will make of the village increasing the housing by 1/3. The roads, infrastructure and amenities simply cannot cope.

Yours Faithfully

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