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Dear Sir/Madam

I write to comment per this consultation period on the proposal for eastern Kenilworth.
My primary concern is traffic.

I believe the consultative documents understate the ability of both Glasshouse Lane and Birches Lane to cope with the large volumes of cars/traffic that will be generated by this estate.

Kenilworth already struggles to cope with current levels of traffic through the town, traffic jams along St Johns island/Warwick Rd/Leamington Rd are the rule, not the exception.

It is quite common for traffic to back up all the way along Birches Lane towards Glasshouse Lane, because of congestion at the St John's island/Warwick/Leamington Rd area.

Adding more feeder roads from the new estate into Birches Lane and Glasshouse Lane will cause a semi permanent state of stationary traffic at commuter times. This in turn will make Warwick Rd/St John's island traffic stationary with consequential actions of motorists looking for 'rat runs' around the side streets of Kenilworth.

An example of motorists using unsuitable 'rats runs' can actually be witnessed now. For example, the closure of Common Lane (due to road works) a very narrow road means motorists traverse through unsuitable residential roads rather than using the main roads, to try and avoid the traffic jams.

I appreciate the Common Lane scenario is only temporary, however the eastern development is not temporary.

I believe the traffic survey was flawed in measuring current volumes of traffic, the assessment of the existing roads to manage with increased levels of traffic is simply and plainly wrong.

More work should be done with the Highways Agency to find a way of traffic accessing the A46 directly from this new estate. The current road proposal is not an acceptable solution for either the motorist, the resident, the town, the air quality and ultimately will have a negative impact on Kenilworth ability in attracting new inhabitants and businesses.

The second thing that's needs to be looked at closely is the viability of creating a one way road system around Warwick Rd and Waverley Rd to try and keep traffic moving more freely.

Lastly, something needs to be done about delivery vehicles blocking Warwick Rd.

This is a major cause of off peak traffic jams, the damage to the pavements caused by lorries/vans parking on kerbs is clear to see.

Why can't we have more 'delivery only' spaces in car parks at the rear of the shops on both sides of Warwick Rd, this combined with more rigorous traffic warden patrols to stop kerb parking will help to alleviate congestion and improve air quality.

I look forward to your response

Regards

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