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24th July 2011

Dear Sir,

Re: Local Plan – Preferred Options.

We have copies of the pre-printed preferred options response form, but feel it more appropriate to write. This letter along with previous historic data is our response.

We specifically refer to Location 12 – Fieldgate Lane/Golf Lane Whitnash although our comments could in the main also apply to Location 11 – Woodside Farm, Tachbrook Road.

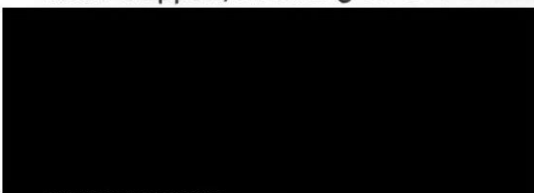
If we understand the position correctly, we have sent objections to previous Core Spatial Strategies and it is our belief those objections still stand.

We would re-iterate the following points.

1. Whitnash does not have the infra-structure or capacity for further major developments. Traffic particularly at peak times is already extremely heavy and causes disruption and delays.
2. All major services for the Whitnash area appear to be north of the river making access difficult to fire, police and hospital and the problem would be further compounded by point 1.

3. We are concerned that any developments close to the Golf Club would be at a potential risk of damage by golf balls. This specifically applies to location 12, which runs alongside our course.
4. Access to the locale from the popular M40 is already an issue with peak time queues.
5. There are virtually no green spaces left around Whitnash. If development is required, it appears this could be done by developing brown field sites for both domestic and commercial use rather than considering green field sites.
6. Elevation of the land on both Locations 11 and 12, if developed, at the highest point will cause a blot on the landscape visible to all entering Whitnash.
7. The steep incline of the land at both Locations 11 and 12, if developed, could mean flooding of the areas – something that already happens.

It appears that this is the fourth attempt to develop this process and previously it has been stopped, including on one occasion by a Government inspector.



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