

Matter 8 Written Statement – MH3 Burnmill Farm – Mr & Mrs Gilding

HDC has for many years now rigorously implemented their ruling that the natural skyline is not to be broken on the north ridge of the town thus protecting a boundary division between MH and GB
This site is a monumental intrusion to this view of the Leicestershire landscape .
Even the plan (available as an attachment) confirms it to be a carbuncle to our existing boundary . Ref 8.14

Since this site was “posted” onto the HDC “panic “ plan late 2016 to meet development forecasts of 5 the target has already been exceeded - now at 6.94 I believe confirming my earlier statement that this site area is grossly premature .
Currently permission has been granted for over 1750 homes without this site recommended for 90

Has consideration been given for the loss of over 6.5 hectares of grade 3 arable/pasture land attached to the farm house and animal enclosures?
To deprive the tenancy of home based fields could potentially undermine the commercial viability of this productive livestock and arable farm.

The ecology of this site is known to be extensive and since my observations there is a nationwide fear that wildlife is being systematically sacrificed. Consider the effect of any development here with a construction period of probably 3/4 years? Truly devastating!

At 8.13 you question how many houses are currently served by Bates Close/Kingston Way 18 and 48 respectfully I believe
Highway capacity for 90 extra homes = 156. For 128 say 194.
This delightful winding service road with calming points is not suited for more traffic especially during winter months - cars and service vehicles get well and truly stuck.
Design and character of homes cannot be delivered on this site to match the existing
Bus services - there is a move afoot to reduce such a service due to economy cuts.

There are more concerns we hold many highlighted by the many inconsistencies found with site access, drainage, inconvenience to the neighbourhood , ecology and the lack of all manner of failing infrastructure, services incl schools all full, staffing of medical centres

I am mindful of your request not to duplicate points already noted - if you wish further information we would welcome your request.
Thank you for allowing me to express and emphasise concerns which I can assure you are shared by over 100 known household in the area.

John M Gilding