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11/09/14

Dear Mr Kemp;

Re: Proposed Development of 6000 new homes and 80 hectare industrial site at Minworth, Sutton Coldfield

I write with regard to the above proposal in Birmingham City Council's Business Plan submitted for approval to the Planning Inspectorate.

I understand that 5863 comments were sent in to BCC with specific regard to the Minworth development, including our own on 02/03/14, but despite this the Council have chosen to submit their Plan unchanged without considering the comments made. This not only makes a complete mockery of the planning consultation process, but is also a grave error as many of the points submitted by residents reflect similar themes, and in particular highlight the fact that current infrastructure and transport links are wholly inadequate to support such a project.

In short, the proposal contravenes existing Coalition Government's policy in that it intends to utilize Green belt land when adequate brownfield site provision exists across the West Midlands. This consideration apart however, the Plan fails to develop a Strategy and Action Plan to explain how the increased population arising from such a development would be catered for in terms of Health, Education and Transportation at a time when provision in these areas is barely adequate to cater for existing population numbers. The question of Health provision is of particular concern as services at Good Hope Hospital are already extremely stretched with consideration being given to the transfer of some services to Birmingham Heartlands on account of existing pressure on resources.

I trust that that in considering and challenging Birmingham City Council's Plan you and your team will now be able to take full account of residents' comments and suggestions so that all our efforts are not a wasted exercise.

Yours sincerely, Making Self Making

Martin and Marilyn Webb