

Eden Local Planning Hearings May 2017

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Dear Tony Blackburn,

Re: Eden Local Planning Hearings May 2017

It is with deep regret that I am unable to participate in the hearings.

In this letter I make comment on Strategic Issues, site allocations and specific comment on KS3 and KS20.

This is in addition to my comments in the response form.

Strategic Issues

1. Policy LS2 Housing targets and distribution; the questions are pertinent and I have covered some of these in the consultation response. Jeanette Cooper, Sue Bennet, Elaine Howland-Davenport and Peter Davenport raise concerns which I share. The distribution of housing between the three towns is disproportionate and comes across as going against the National Planning Policy Framework.

Site Allocations

1. Kirkby Stephen; a. Proposed for development in the submitted plan;
KS13 Faraday Road

KS15 Croglam Lane

KS 18 Croglam Park. These three are examples of the hemming in of existing dwellings. KS17 East of Park Terrace adds to the problems of water runoff from Birkbeck Gardens. Elder residents of Kirkby Stephen tell me that this whole area was a flood plane for as long as they can remember.

My empathy goes to those people directly affected by this plan.

b. Proposed in the draft modifications

KS11 North of Park Terrace would be the loss of the only green space of what has become a tunnel road.

KS24 Manor Court is impractical because of the steepness of the site and the already water logging of Manor Court gardens.

KS25 Nateby Road compromises Highway Safety.

My empathy goes to those people affected by these proposals.

Is the council justified in discounting sites;

KS3 and KS20 Whitehouse Farm.

This site I have knowledge of and I have raised my concerns in the consultation response; ecological, drainage and flooding concerns. (See paper by my neighbour Tim Knight 3 Mell Wood). At the Town Council Meeting of 4 April it was suggested by Kevin Hutchinson that a crank drain could be installed at expense to the Developer. The costs of this would be prohibitive.

KS 15 Croglam Lane, I have concerns for Highway Safety on what is already a dangerous road.

I empathise with the residents whose properties this would cut by, destroying privacy and creating noise and depreciating the value of their homes.

Yours Sincerely,
Colette Hennigan