

Matter 7A Written Statement – H44 North of Milverton – Michael Lambert (13734)

Dear Sirs.

My wife and I have been looking more closely at the use of land proposed for housing development in North Leamington, and still think it is absurd and quite wrong to think of using this Green belt land for building to meet Coventry's housing needs.

1. The location is almost ten miles from Coventry Cathedral. People surely are not going to be buying hoses in Old Milverton to work in Coventry when there are many areas of land closer to Coventry that are more accessible, more environmentally situated.

I am attaching a picture of a large area just north of Stoneleigh Road/Kings Hill Lane/A45/St Martins Road. Why can this area not be used to supply housing for Coventry. At least this would save the Green Belt between Leamington and Kenilworth.

2. What really matters to us is the possibility of removing the required Old Milverton land from the Green Belt means the loss of valuable Agricultural and Amenity countryside. The area from Northumberland Road across to the Saxon Mill is used by countless local people for exercise and fresh air, away from the housing and traffic. It is a necessary Green Barrier between Leamington and Kenilworth.

3. Traffic congestion is getting worse by the minute in the North Leamington area, and additional housing so close to the town centre, yet too far to use Public Transport, will only add dramatically to the present problem. To say that Park and Ride would help is a nonsense. Most residents would still prefer to use their cars to access the shops in Leamington/Kenilworth/Warwick and the out of town shopping centres.

Yours sincerely

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