

**Matter 7A Written Statement – H44 North of Milverton – Chris Mellard
(5793)**

Dear Sir,

Further to the points of concern I made to during the consultation period in relation to the proposed plans for development of the greenbelt land in North Leamington and Milverton please see my concerns shared by many of my neighbours and users of the wonderful beautiful space that is a key part of the Leamington environment.

- There are more suitable brown field sites, which would meet the needs of Coventry residents
- By being 9 miles from Coventry city centre, unnecessary complications with infrastructure that will upset the Kenilworth and the Warwickshire
- A substantial part of the site is to be “held in reserve” to meet Leamington’s future housing need
- Further development north of Leamington can only be achieved by using more of the greenbel
- The greenbelt North of Milverton has been very successful in preventing the spread of Leamington and has stopped Leamington merging with Kenilworth
- If the proposed development goes ahead the “Green Lung” between Leamington and Kenilworth will be reduced to less than 1.5 miles
- €The proposed park and ride site is too close to Leamington to reduce traffic on the A452
- the proposal is for a “virtual service” using the existing bus services seems unworkable
- There is plenty of parking available in Leamington Spa. Indeed Warwick District Council is planning a new multi storey car park
- The area enables residents from the neighbouring towns to experience the open countryside
- Old Milverton is one of the last surviving hamlets on the outskirts of Leamington and its integrity will be destroyed by the proposals which will see it subsumed into Leamington.
- Valuable, productive farm land and important wild life habitat will be lost

Yours sincerley

Chris Mellard