

Matter 7A Written Statement - H44 North of Milverton - Ian Salvin (6433)

Reference my earlier points, I would like to re-emphasise that the proposals are a " pig in a poke " solution and I am for rejecting the proposals made.

There are plenty of areas in and closely around Coventry which have land with scrub-like characteristics e.g. near Binley, which should be better suited to Coventry's overspill housing.

That would mean not requiring a build plan on good quality land supporting diverse wild-life as can be found in Old Milverton and surrounding area.

This area is unlikely to be favoured by Coventry residents as both too remote and unsuitable and instead may well attract others into the area as a dormitory hamlet for other areas, e.g. Birmingham.

So the original intention of the proposal is unlikely to be implemented on the ground as envisaged by planners.

What we would lose though is land much valued particularly by not just people who live in North Leamington and Old Milverton but also those in South Kenilworth and Stoneleigh

who don't want this wonderful locality to be subsumed into more continuous urban sprawl as part of a relentless urbanisation of Coventry and Warwickshire.

I could write for hours but instead I would just point out that I am passionately against ill-thought out urban sprawl which does not benefit people as intended and instead further

reduces the quality of life of those affected, for instance not only by taking away that lovely walk across the fields from Northumberland Road to the Saxon Mill that many of us enjoy

but also in adding to the traffic on an already congested A452.

Once changed we cannot turn the clock back, inflicting on our descendants the result of our unwise planning decisions, when several years on no-one can remember the basis of

the original thought process.

Please rethink these proposals as suggested. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Ian Salvin