

Matter 7A Written Statement – H44 North of Milverton – Jane Salvin (7281)

Dear Mr Ward,

I consider that building on the Greenbelt north of Leamington to provide further housing for Coventry is a very bad idea. This would create a lot more traffic congestion and pollution as people are commuting back to Coventry.

The building would destroy valuable Greenbelt land which would be lost for ever, with a detrimental effect on both wildlife and the local population. The "green lung" between Leamington and Kenilworth would be seriously eroded. The Greenbelt in Old Milverton is considered of higher value than other areas near Coventry and so the latter should be used in preference to Old Milverton.

The exceptional circumstances required to release Greenbelt land have not been demonstrated in Old Milverton. This land is highly valued by the residents of Leamington and Kenilworth and is long established farm land.

The proposed park and ride scheme sounds like a nice idea but would in practice be very unlikely to be used as it would not be practical for most commuters.

I therefore consider the proposal to build 1350 houses on Old Milverton land, with further land being "held in reserve" for future building, to be ill conceived and very wrong. I would be pleased if you could consider all these objections so that we do not lose valuable Greenbelt land due to ill conceived ideas.

Yours sincerely

Mrs M Jane Salvin