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TOCKWITH with WILSTROP PARISH COUNCIL RESPONSE TO HARROGATE BOROUGH COUNCIL DRAFT LOCAL PLAN ADDITIONAL SITES CONSULTATION

SITE (TW3) ~ ADDITIONAL SITE FOR A DEVELOPMENT OF 53 HOUSES AT CHURCH FARM, TOCKWITH: -

Local Need - Harrogate Borough Council have not shown or provided any evidence that there is a 'local need' for a further development in Tockwith with Wilstrop Parish.

As a community, we have already contributed to the local housing need in a substantial way. Our Parish will soon be increased by 212 houses, set against existing houses this represents about a 40% increase.

Sustainability - Our rural area does not meet the sustainability criteria. Job opportunities are less and Public transport spasmodic.

Tockwith with Wilstrop Parish has a new development of 120 homes underway and another proposed development to begin soon. These two developments will put pressure onto our already stretched services and infrastructure. A further development for which no 'local need' has been proven would add further pressures which would lead to a failure in creating sustainable futures for our rural area.

Government guidelines clearly state that new developments should not cause harm to the existing locality. If a further development of 53 houses went ahead there is clear evidence that our present utilities, transport and small school would not be adequate to deal with this further growth within our Parish.

(GH11) & (FX3) NEW VILLAGE SETTLEMENT: -

Tockwith with Wilstrop Parish Council are against a new development at Green Hammerton. The Green Hammerton proposal would affect at least four small communities and would lead to a negative impact on the lives of those who live there.

The case against Green Hammerton:

- * The site is too big
- * The site is outside the current development limit
- * Local Infrastructure cannot cope
- * Negative Impact on local roads/traffic
- * No or poor access to public transport
- * No or poor access to shops and services
- * Negative impact on the Community

Significant upgrading of the existing railway stations at Hammerton and Cattal would be necessary.

Services such as a Medical Centre, School and shops could impact badly on the services within our and other close by communities.


Harrogate Borough Council have stated that if Flaxby were chosen, there would need to be major road development.

Harrogate Borough Council fail to recognise that the Green Hammerton proposal would also require major development to the road and railway services.

Tockwith with Wilstrop Parish Council continue to support the Flaxby development. The Flaxby development would cause less disruption to local communities. Although, major road and railway development would still be required, there would be far less disruption to this rural area and the communities within it.

MALTKIN SITE

Tockwith with Wilstrop Parish Council also object strongly to the possibility of a development at the Maltkin Site. The principles of the object are the same as the issues raised in respect of the 'Green Hammerton' proposal.



Joy Richardson

Clerk to Tockwith with Wilstrop Parish Council ~ 23/08/2017