

## **17. Kate Pizer**

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To whom it may concern,

I wish to express that we agree with the majority of this plan.

We do however have some concerns for the future development which is below:

Schooling - There is no mention of any improvement or additional places for children for additional housing.

Is it true that the housing approved on Cossington road (Cossington at the rear of Derry's) will mean that any children that cannot get a place within the village school will have to be bussed to another town/school? How is this going to be funded and what effect will this have on small children.

Doctors - With only two doctors surgeries serving the village and additional housing being built this will increase in waiting times for appointments. Will there be plans to expand these practices.

Road network - Parking and travel by car is often difficult within the village. The Car Park is used by commuters leaving few spaces for nursery drop offs and shoppers. Also the three main routes out of Sibleby - Ratcliffe Road, Seagrave Road and Barrow Road have so much street parking that to travel along these roads can be problematic. It does however slow the traffic. With any new housing development is there not an opportunity to insist on better parking provision which also improves existing homes.

Now Mountsorrel Lane has been an issue as long as I've lived in the village, flood alleviation work was carried out in barrow and Cossington but not on the bridge near the A6. Is it not possible to raise the road or make a provision to improve the against flooding. When Slash Lane, Mountsorrel Lane and Cossington are flooded it makes a difficult situation for those travelling to work or school. It puts even more traffic through Barrow and Seagrave. The flooding has been so severe in recent years that I have had to drive through the floods to collect my daughter from Humphrey Perkins as the buses refused to bring them home, not ideal for parents at work or don't drive.

Sites of natural environmental significance - We note that site 083 has been marked as a site of natural environmental significance and wish to add the following comments; Some of this land between the old tip and Butler Way has been sold to residents but not all. Jelson Homes still own a proportion and we have heard they want to build on the small holding next to the public open space and potential this land. With the disused tip now being built on, the wildlife has had to move. Most of this wildlife appears to have homed within the site of 083. There are a significant amount of birds who have been breeding in recent years including two woodpeckers, Robins and other birds including a Sparrow hawk. There are foxes, rabbits and a monk jack (or small deer) that has been seen within this area and also in the field behind. In the late summer/early autumn evenings we also have bats fly through the garden from a West to East direction. We have taken photographs of the wildlife which we enjoy seeing. With the few woodland areas left in the village we feel strongly that this must be protected. Any development of this land seriously be considered, after all where would the wildlife go? What about Biodiversity?

I have lived in the village for 22 years, and love living here. We hope to see the village grow appropriately supporting the needs of the community and nature that's within it.

Kind Regards

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