

FULL NAME	DUTY TO COOPERATE	LEGALLY COMPLIANT	SOUND	WHICH PART	WHICH PARAGRAPHS	WHICH POLICY	WHICH POLICY MAP	WHICH DIAGRAM	WHICH TABLE
Cllr Christopher Thompson	No	Yes	No	Policy		Housing development in the Bakby and Barkbythorpe area			

WHY PLAN NOT SOUND	MODIFICATIONS	HEARINGS	HEARING SESSIONS
<p>I represent the villages of Barkby and Barkbythorpe as a parish councillor. I am appalled by the reversal of promises made by the Council of no further development in our area to our parishioners after the SUE south of Barkbythorpe was approved resulting in the building of an additional 4500 house on a purely rural and green site. This was bad enough with the consequent impact on traffic pollution services flooding etc but we now see proposals to build a further 1500 houses in the same area when we were promised that this would not happen. Charnwood Borough Council should be fighting to protect our green areas and the necessary segregation the villages need from further development and thereby protecting Barkby and Barkbythorpe from being swallowed up in a suburban sprawl. The Council should be celebrating Barkby and Barkbythorpe as their "Jewels in the Crown" which if we are not careful will be lost forever.</p> <p>I appreciate that the model the Government is using suggests that we need this level of further housing development. Whether this model is right or not is another argument which is ongoing. I note that Leicester City is looking to the County to assist them with their housing allocation. This begs the question why? They should be looking to develop or re-develop their brown field sites that are scattered throughout the City in particular after the effect Covid has had on the commercial use of buildings which could now be re-assigned for residential use.</p> <p>In conclusion, my argument is simple. Our area cannot cope with the proposed re-development. Not only are the services and infrastructure not there but also we will lose the rural character of our villages forever which in my view should be protected at all costs.</p> <p>Thank you</p> <p>Cllr Chris Thompson</p> <p>Vice-chair BBTPC</p>	<p>As above</p>	<p>No</p>	