Matter, issues & questions

Brinsley Vision

Matter 11 Green Belt Policy

We consider the Green Belt Review is consistent with National Policy and appropriate protection has been made to lessen the impact of development which of necessity involves losing some green belt land.

Specifically regarding Brinsley (Matter 9), BBC's choice of site has taken into account green belt protection, and the Opun Review adds value to the Green Belt Review previously carried out.

With regard to the damage to the green belt of housing development, whether housing development takes place on the Cordy Lane site promoted by Brinsley Parish Council (BPC) and its Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (SG) or on BBC's 'Church Lane' site, the resulting increase in car traffic can be assumed to be similar.

However, the 'Church Lane' site with its improved connectivity and footpaths, to the Headstocks area and to the shops and school, can be expected to reduce use of cars locally as people access those areas.

The BBC site will not encroach upon the landscape more than is essential, and will have mitigating effects.

The site will not be prominent in the landscape, and will not be readily seen from the Headstocks site. From DH Lawrence's birthplace in Eastwood, the site cannot be seen – the BPC and SG alternative site can however be readily seen in the distance from the same viewpoint.

Most of the development will not be seen by passing traffic along Church Lane and Cordy Lane, whereas the Cordy Lane site would be more prominent in the landscape and readily seen by passing traffic.

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