

Land South of Burton

Justification for figure of 45 houses

Not justified -

Does not support the role of the settlement as a provider of services to its home community - no guarantee from CC that the affordable houses within the 45 house development would cater for the needs of Burton people specifically.

As the figure of 45 houses is not economically viable for the Meyrick Estate, consideration of a larger number would open the floodgates to other landowners and cause additional loss of GB.

Knock-on destructive effects to the rural community - loss of farming heritage, so important to Burton Residents. In 2012 over 1,600 residents signed a Petition against the CN2 development. (Petition curtailed by time constraints)

Modification - Remove CN2 from the CS. Absorb the Burton allocation of houses onto Burton land within the CN1 development. Build any resulting shortfall of Christchurch houses on brown-field sites in the Christchurch area.

Reminder to CC (re CC's statement 3.426 of Responses Doc) -

¼ of the CN1 area allocated is on land within Burton Parish Boundary, so housing located there is still in Burton, in the same way that Staple Cross Farm and the cottages in Hawthorn Lane are in Burton.

Total disregard and loss of any possible archaeological history - Burnt flint found recently in Medlar Close indicates Mesolithic and Neolithic activity in the area in the past. There is archaeological interest in the mound near the old barns.

Modification - Archaeological survey and/or dig (see attached email from Mike Tizzard – Archaeologist)

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Sent: 04 June 2013 11:05
Subject: Re: Burton Archaeology
Hi Sheila,

Thanks for your email.

I've been intrigued by that bit of high ground for a long time and wondered if the origins of Burton perhaps started there. The name Burton may have originally meant a fortified farm and the high ground may have formed a natural defensive area but without some investigation it's a job to know.

There was apparently a medieval church in Martins Hill Lane, probably just opposite you. It disappeared probably centuries ago although there are bits of it around the village. Mr Crab (forgotten his first name) in Salisbury Road has some in his garden and there was apparently a rose window from it which has now gone from the area. So I'm sure your area was at the centre of the village at some time.

I'm not surprised you have found burnt flint in your garden, there is a lot of it in the fields there nearer the river I've noticed before. I expect there was a lot of Mesolithic and Neolithic activity all around there in the past.

As for the flint, I'm no geologist but where we are and more or less up to Verwood we are sat on a number of (flint) gravel terraces, I think there are about seven along with sand and clay. Above Verwood there is chalk which goes under the gravel and comes out somewhere in Christchurch Bay as you can see from the Isle of Wight. The larger flint and smaller flint gravel have basically been washed and ground out of the chalk by successive Ice Ages over millions of years. Although the ice didn't come this far, the melt water did carving out the whole of the Avon and other valleys, the gravel, sand, clay and silt were left as deposits after the melt water had gone, that's why it's so prolific around here.

I hope that's answered some of your questions, as for the archaeology, perhaps we could come and have a look around some time to see whets there.

Regards Mike

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