



Mr Philip James
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12th September 2015

Dear Mr James,

Ref: Proposed extension to the area for housing growth, south east of Blandford St. Mary.

I write, following receipt of your letter dated 24th July 2015 to express my **complete objection** to both the extension and existing areas proposed, for the following reasons;

- *Other areas within the 360 degrees around Blandford are far more suited to a major development, such as Fairmile, land off of Black Lane and land South of Pimperne. Have these been taken into consideration through a Strategic Environmental Assessment, if so could you please forward me all relevant documentation that shows that they have been considered and why they have been dismissed?*
- *The A350 and A354 are already very busy arterial roads and this development leads straight onto this network. Due to the large increase of traffic onto these roads there will be a far bigger risk to all transport, cyclists and pedestrians in this area.*
- *The visual impact of all the proposed development area would make a urbanisation of a existing rural scene, as well as having a detrimental effect on the various listed buildings in the very close vicinity. Has the impact on these heritage assets been considered? Development of other areas around Blandford would not affect listed buildings, and may not be so visible.*
- *Without the correct infrastructure Blandford cannot support this extra housing. The town already struggles with a limited number of doctors' surgeries and primary schools, another major development would cause this to become an even bigger problem. Can you please forward me details of what the Council have discussed AND actioned regarding solving this growing issue?*

Finally, when the development of Rosefields and Bryanston Hills was agreed, it was stated at that time, development outside the A354 would NOT be considered at that time or any time in the future.

Yours sincerely



Mr and Mrs D Shook