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Sent: 08 April 2019 13:44

To: Parker, David (Councillor) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Johnston, Charles <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Oxton's Local Plan 2019 - Concerns re SBC plans for expansion - correct e-mail address

Hi Charles

Apologies I sent the first version of this e-mail to an incorrect e-mail address so you would not have received it. I resent a forwarded version with the correct address but I am not sure that you will have received the full message. Please take this e-mail as the full version. The comments and attachment are the same as on the original e-mail that David Parker will have received..

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Charles

Please take this e-mail as comment and concerns in respect of the proposed changes to the Oxton Local Village plan 2019. I have attached a word version of the document and for ease of reference included the comments below.

Having been residents of Oxton for almost 25 years we are concerned at hearing that SBC wish to identify a site/sites in the village plan for the building 30+ houses in Oxton.

Although we recognise that some development is almost inevitable and in some respects may be beneficial we are strongly against the prospect of an increase at the level proposed//suggested (30+), not least due to the potential impact on nature, infrastructure, access and increase in traffic causing negative environmental impact and safety issues.

That said if an area/areas have to be identified as potential site(s) for additional housing, our preference would be for development in the field behind Luckencroft (site D on the Oxton Community Council (CC) diagram), with the number of properties limited to 10/15 in total. In the interest of safety and to minimise significant increase in traffic along the road leading from The Loan out of the village and past Burnfoot Farm access via Main Street (near site E on the CC diagram) would appear to be the better route of access to such a development.

The road extending from The Loan and the road running through Netherhowden are currently reasonably quiet and very much part of Oxton village life and its natural environment. Being flat they also encourage healthy life style for villagers and visitors and families of all ages (e.g. providing safe and accessible dog walking, walking and cycling etc). We consider all of this to be part of what makes Oxton, Oxton and attracts people to live here and visit.

We are strongly against the suggestion of building a significant number of houses at Netherhowden (site A on the CC diagram) for the reasons mentioned above but if ultimately it is identified as a potential site for housing in the village plan, we can see some benefit from a the building of a small number of properties (ideally 2/3 but no more than 4/5), ideally in a steading or cul-de-sac format.

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8 April 2019

Footnote:

We are happy for our comments to be posted on the SBC web site as Oxton Residents but without our name, postal and e-mail addresses. If our name has to be included in order for it to count then please include our name but exclude our postal and e-mail addresses and exclude this footnote from the document when posting on the website.

Thank you.

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