

Local Plan Modifications

Possible Objections

Here are a few bullet points to help you with your letter to HDC. Please put them in your own words, as duplicate letters will probably be ignored.

1. The 700,000 sq mts is based on three planning applications, which demonstrates demand not need.
2. Two of the planning applications have already been agreed but the third application (15/01531) was rejected by HDC. Why therefore include it in the Local Plan?
3. The evidence is that building more warehousing at Magna Park will result in an over provision of non-rail warehousing in Leicestershire and the surrounding area.
4. Magna Park provides non-rail warehousing whereas the Governments preferred option is developments on railheads.
5. Where is the evidence that such a huge concentration of warehousing in one place is what is required?
6. Since the three planning applications were submitted there have been many other warehouse developments, a number of them along the A5 at DIRFT and at the M69 junction.
7. The A5 is inadequate to take the current traffic load. Given the extent of development along the A5 between the M69 and the M1 at Jn18 the road will not cope with the additional HGV and commuter traffic.
8. The research shows that 700,000 sq mts is almost 4 times the assessed need for additional warehouse space in Leicestershire by 2031.
9. One of the Local Plan objectives is to reduce out-commuting and to bring a wide range of jobs to the area. It is difficult to see how 10,000 jobs in warehousing will achieve this objective.
10. The impact of the current warehouse being built along Mere Lane is clear to anyone who travels along that road. The additional of 3 times more warehousing will be completely overbearing on the landscape and on the villages of Bittesby and Ullesthorpe.

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