

Re SHLAA Site Reference 2901 within Green Belt parcel LY22



I am writing to object to the above site from being removed from the Green Belt for the following reasons:-

Housing expansion into Green Belt sites over the years has fundamentally altered and reduced the rural character of the area of Lymm, for which it is renowned. It is this unique English landscape character we are looking to preserve in objecting to the removal of site 2901 from the Green Belt. We believe parcel LY22 and site 2901, in particular, should be considered an Area of Great Landscape Value (AGLV) - an area of land with a quality of landscape which is considered to have a particular scenic value – and should not be developed now, or at any time in the future.

Section 66 of the Listed Buildings Act an LPA is required to pay special regard to the desirability of preserving the setting of a listed building, and as we believe the historical and architectural significance will be adversely affected by any residential development, we encourage WBC to reject the application to remove site 2901 form the Green Belt.

The NPPF refers to the essential characteristics of Green Belts being their openness and permanence. It states that once established, Green Belt boundaries should only be altered in exceptional circumstances, and we do not believe the case for removing SHLAA 2901 from the Green Belt is anywhere near strong enough and far from an exceptional circumstance.

The access provision identified off Crouchley Lane is not suitable for the size of development that could be accommodated on this parcel of land. Crouchley Lane is a narrow winding country lane that suffers greatly from congestion when both the Rugby Club has events on, and visitors come to the Lymm Dam area. The road effectively becomes single lane with cars parking on the pavements due to the narrow nature of Crouchley Lane, that in turn forces pedestrians to walk in the highway which is very dangerous. I believe this situation is going to be made worse following the granting of planning permission to develop the rugby club into additional residential dwellings, and a larger sports facility, without providing additional on-site parking, which is only going to make Crouchley Lane more congested and not a suitable access point for a development on the scale proposed.