

### **Matter 3 Written Statement – Mr Stephen Baldock (446468) – Salisbury Sites H3.1, H3.3 & H3.4.**

This is the letter I sent to the Salisbury Journal. A number of my points are in this letter.

The only way this would work is if a southern bypass was built. It is already hard to exit from my road at certain times of the day due to the traffic backing up from the Downton roundabout for half a mile, that is to the one stop shop!, it is traffic light controlled and usually blocked by the queuing cars!!! Added to my letter could have been the point that there are no superstores e.g. Tesco to the west so all the new people would come on to the ring Road and Southampton Road which is already grid locked at certain times of the day.

Perhaps Salisbury council could give you a more realistic appraisal than the WCC sitting in Trowbridge with no local knowledge. One councillor even suggested there would not be many more cars on the road!!!!

I can only assume he or she is desperate for the houses to be built. Anyone living in the estate will be too far from the town centre to walk in, therefore more traffic will be added and the air pollution will increase

Also the area they want to build on is agricultural land. How on earth can we strive to be self sufficient when we concrete our countryside.

4.4. With one road to the west and one to the east, there are no measures that could address the transport implications as it would require a new road and east to west Harnham has water meadows along the whole area to the south.

5.3. Would be the loss of agricultural land and no local infrastructure is possible Bovis homes suggested tweaking the traffic lights. Yes I am serious, it was said to me!!!

5.6. Only by adding to crowded and sometimes gridlocked roads on the ring road. More buses would be needed with the costs incurred by this.

This is a bad plan driven by the government!

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# Roads can't cope with homes

I LIKE many Hamtham residents went to see the presentation by Bovis regarding the 640 homes the council is attempting to bulldoze through.

The huge posters were colourful and impressive, although I noticed a spelling mistake. Bovis must have spent a fair bit of money on it.

The main problem is that it doesn't answer the obvious question, how are the two roads out of the village, one to the west and one to the east going to cope with the extra traffic. I read in the original paperwork at Bourne Hill that one councillor stated there would be very little impact. I can only assume he sits in Trowbridge and has no idea. I spoke to the representatives from Bovis, the transport guy was bombarded with questions. I asked where he came from and he said "Bristol" good to keep it local. He quoted statistics from the last census. I pointed out that information was out of date by nine years!

640 houses will mean approximately 1,000 new cars, the school with teachers, TAs, admin staff, etc will increase this and where will the people do their shopping each week?

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Protest in September 2017 against new homes proposals in Hamtham Southampton Road of course adding to the pressure and traffic jams.

I haven't heard from our MP or our councillors on their views but I do know that we need people like the committee that successfully stopped the

stupidity of trying to build houses on Britford Road to help us stop this.

To those who accuse me of being a Nimby, I would happily see the estate built once we have the southern bypass to help with the infrastructure.

One last word, they said they wouldn't build on the Bookers site and have done a U-turn on that. It is a brown site and I agree it would be a good idea. A first for our WCC!

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