



January 17th, 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to give my feedback on your Local Plan Emerging Strategy document. I have family in the Berkeley area, I regularly visit that part of the district and have done so for the last 15 years.

In answer to your question in section 5.1, I do not support your plans for development in The Berkeley 'cluster', in particular your proposals for up to 2,400 homes in and around Newtown/Sharpness (PS36).

The location of this site is totally unsuitable for development of this scale. It does not have the roads or the public transport infrastructure to support thousands of new homes.

I also believe any improvements in infrastructure and new job opportunities created as part of your plan would be insufficient to support a development of this size. Therefore, it would not be sustainable.

In addition, a development of this scale in this rural location would have a major negative impact on the beautiful countryside, nature, existing communities and the environment.

I do not support the overall approach you are taking in your Emerging Strategy. I believe you should instead pursue a strategy of dispersal, combined with concentrated development in, or next to, the district's large towns and Gloucester. This would ensure any new development was sustainable and spread more evenly across the district.

Your faithfully

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