

FAO: Kath Thorne, Programme Officer.

I moved to Thornbury in 1970 and moved to my current address in Lavender Close in 1988. Thornbury is one of a few towns near Bristol which can be described as a balanced Market Town. Over the years similar districts near Bristol have been over developed and have become part of the general sprawl.

Morton Way is a natural break between where the town of Thornbury finishes and the countryside starts. Putting an additional 300 houses in the area outlined will spoil the whole balance of the area. There is already a problem with poor drainage in the designated area. Furthermore the Midland Electricity Board still have issues with 'trip outs' in supplying power at certain times which demonstrates that the infrastructure is not up to it.

With the massive building programme proposed for land adjacent to the former Filton Airport and potential, in time, for building on the runway itself, surely the the number of dwellings envisaged would match all needs of South Gloucestershires Core Strategy.

I strongly recommend that your department looks to another option which would be less invasive to the Countryside.

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