

Subject: Morton Way development

28 January 2013

Dear Inspector,

I am writing to express my concern about the proposal to build 300 more houses in Thornbury on top of the 500 houses which have already been agreed at Park Farm and my strong objection to the choice of East of Morton Way as an additional site on the following grounds.

A great deal of thought, time and effort went into the development of the Core Strategy which includes a huge number of new houses to be built at Park Farm. This site was chosen over the site at Morton Way after much discussion and for very good reasons.

Morton Way provides a boundary to housing development on that side of the town and Thornbury people wish to maintain that boundary. Building on a site at Morton Way would take more green fields and risk development spreading out of control. The whole character of this ancient market town would be threatened by having too much new development at once.

The proposed building of these extra houses on this site would put enormous strain on the infrastructure. Roads, car parks and other public facilities would be overloaded and Thornbury does not have the transport connections to deal with such an influx.

I object strongly to the building of any houses outside the boundary road of Morton Way and I would urge you to reject this site on the above grounds. If these houses have to be built, a site should be chosen which has the correct infrastructure in place and which does not damage the environment by taking out green fields and spoiling the character of the town.

Yours sincerely,
Stephanie Ward