

To The Development Plan Manager
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Dear Sirs

The final stage for objections is yet again filled with subterfuge suggesting that access to the site R121M will be feasible, despite one access from Oak Tree Road being far too narrow, especially for construction vehicles and the other access being through what is a protected landscape and supposed to be a green corridor to allow Kendal to keep movement and enjoyment of its birds, mammals and even its Great Crested Newts. To devastate this rare Kendal wildlife community with lorries, cranes and diggers, lights and all the other noise and disruption that comes with a development is sacrilege. To allow this kind of building and access and destruction to form roads onto and through R121M and the areas adjacent, goes against every part of the legislation that was designed to protect such valuable land. Railtrack have been surveying their area within 50 meters of the railway line to ensure they do not damage R121M yet SLDC are planning to furrow through it.

R121M was protected both as landscape and for its newt population and should not have roads, pavements and a wide junction to allow trucks and heavy vehicles to plough through the protected landscape. The tarmac corridor they plan to create will block and restrict the movement of the birds, mammals and fauna and water that SLDC had previously thought was vital and all in the sake of profit and not even for what is really needed in the area which is affordable housing. The number of these to be built is tiny.

Their new road will increase and divert further the cascade of flooding that flows onto Castle Green Lane from R121M causing chaos regularly cutting off one of the primary routes through Kendal.

The lighting and proximity of traffic and movement to and from the development both during and after construction in R121M will destroy the kestrel colony and owl and buzzard night hunting on that landscape and disturb the night life and feeding of the newts, vital for their survival and create a barrier to the walls they already overwinter in.

The creation of a junction will increase road problems with the heavy haulage vehicles that use the A684 for access to the supermarkets and trade estates. We currently have them reversing because they can not negotiate turning into Sandylands or because their sat navs have led them to the bridge further down which is impassable for them. We do not need more chaos on this road than we already have with trucks and regular flooding and traffic standstills when the other bridge on Parkside is flooded.

R121M must be removed from this plan. SLDC are creating a plan which will destroy and create havoc in a protected and peaceful and valuable landscape. It should never have been included or continued to be included and not be included further. This should remain protected landscape, not bring local destruction and chaos when every other site is less sensitive according to Kendal County Council's own report.

Remove it now

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