

2 May 2012

Develop Plans Manager
South Lakeland District Council
South Lakeland House
Lowther Street
Kendal
LA9 4DL

Subject: SLDC's Planning Proposals For Grange Over Sands

Dear Sir

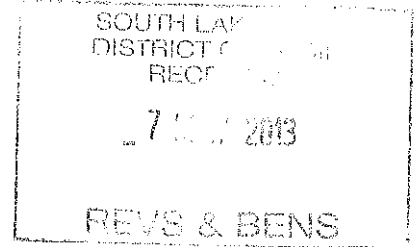
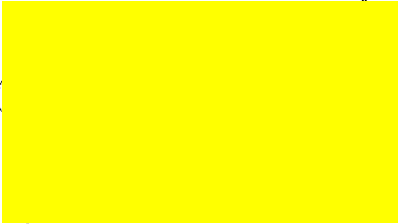
Further to our letter which raised concerns over the original proposals for Grange Over Sands, we now write to object to the amended Land Allocation Development Plan to be submitted for scrutiny by the Inspector. We bring to your attention the following points:

- a. The traffic survey was not conducted at an appropriate peak time i.e. between 1000hrs and 1400hrs when this would have shown the significant congestion that can occur on Main Street with numerous cars, light vans and trucks passing through, and many 38 ton lorries carrying goods beyond Grange to the Industrial Estate at Flookburgh, and also the large number of tourist either visiting Grange or travelling through.
- b. A housing need based on questionnaires completed by a relatively small number of households using out of date information from the 2001 census figures;
- c. Grange Over Sands is not a main employment centre for the area with many travelling as far as Manchester and Bolton to do their work. The majority of jobs carried out in Grange are in the service sector or by numerous local building contractors, plumbers etc. The idea of an influx of jobs to the area to meet the needs of new families is preposterous;
- d. Whilst serving a useful purpose, the hospital at Kendal is not an A&E unit and does not provide services to cover a variety of serious medical conditions. These have to be treated by other hospital in the Morecambe Bay Area travelling up to 30 miles away and with no integrated transport system between Grange Over Sands, travelling to and from hospital is very difficult;

We feel that the whole Land Allocation Development Plan is flawed with our other concerns being the loss of green areas between Grange Over Sands and Allithwaite, an overstretched sewerage and drainage system, no public transport at the in the evenings or on Sundays and flooding in several areas of the town.

Having lived in the area since 1984, we have seen a slow demise of the town and the services provided and the gradual building creep which has severely damage the feel of the area. More building can only further contribute to Grange Over Sands becoming yet another seaside town with little or nothing to attract people here.

Yours Sincerely



Mr & Mrs Rhodes