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Dear Planners

this consultation should really have been entitled land grab consultation - It would appear developers are being invited to just attempt to develop wherever they like - I note the attempted connivance of Kendal Town Councillors in this when they tried to change the boundary of the National Park up to the by-pass so that they could build employment land on that area near Kendal Fell in an attempt to get round the more stringent planning regime of LDNP.

Kendal is still is a beautiful town but the continued land grab of green spaces is totally unacceptable and already the outlook to the East has been blighted by excessive over-development - the idea that there is a shortage of houses and brownfield sites is just nonsense - take a walk down Highgate and Kirkland

There has also been in the last few years many developments in Kendal which still remain unoccupied and these have included section 106 parts to these developments (which are still far too expensive for locals and this is known even before a brick has been laid)

I remain totally unconvinced by the arguments about their being insufficient houses, land for employment etc and just see this as an attempt at another land grab by developers encouraged by this council - there is for instance a property near to me which has been left empty for 4 years despite SLDC being aware of this and yet nothing has been done - when the developer originally applied for the planning permission it was supposed to be section 106 - at the full planning stage this requirement was removed - perhaps if the council spent a bit more effort on issues like these rather than facilitating greedy developers there wouldn't be the dubious need for this land grab.

On the specifics I object strongly to the areas R143#, RN254# and RN297# being included in the land allocation on the grounds that it is just further extending into Kendal's diminishing green spaces and is for the reasons already stated totally unnecessary.

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many thanks,

yours sincerely
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