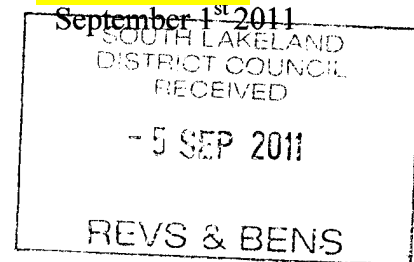


## ***Pennington Parish Council***

SLDC Development Strategy Manager.  
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Dear Mr. Hudson,



### **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK LAND ALLOCATIONS – FURTHER CONSULTATION**

Thank-you for your letter of 28<sup>th</sup> July requesting further consultation on the Local Development Framework. Pennington Parish Council is of the opinion that development should not be allocated to small villages and hamlets and in particular would like to refer to the parish council's letter of 24<sup>th</sup> January 2009 where it stated that Swarthmoor was fully developed. The village has suffered from drainage problems, water pressure problems and is continuously suffering from traffic problems due to the extremely busy A590 dissecting the village. Tributary roads are very busy as drivers find alternative routes to the A590. In addition, traditional housing exists in the village making road parking necessary leading to single car access along these roads.

You stated in your letter that comments on proposed sites did not require to be repeated but, as so many Swarthmoor villagers have vehemently conveyed their dissatisfaction to the parish councillors, I feel obliged to relist the parish council's opposition to the sites.

I attended one of the original LDF presentations and still possess the document where the Ulverston Functional Area shows the area between Swarthmoor and Ulverston as green gap land. Development areas R685SW, R686SW and RN243# are proposed on this land and this is totally unacceptable. It has always been considered that this land has been set aside to separate Swarthmoor from neighbouring Ulverston. In addition, this area suffers from severe drainage problems, lies higher than the houses across the road and would most likely cause distress, anxiety and inconvenience to the residents.

RN315# is in close proximity to the previously mentioned A590 and more cars would cause further congestion. It is not apparent from the map, but this site borders the road used to access Pennington Church of England School. The situation is so bad at school times that cars park past the proposed site towards the A590 and the situation is so bad that it has warranted police involvement.

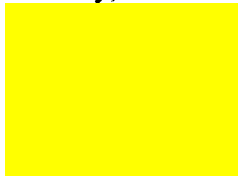
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Finally, RN328#, RN105# and RN106# suffer from extensive drainage problems which have also caused flooding on the road. This is also one of the previously mentioned tributary roads which also suffers from speeding motorists and has two access roads from the existing housing where road vision is particularly difficult. Any further traffic on this road would be unwelcome

I trust that Pennington Parish Council's views will be given due consideration and that the councillors will be able to assure the residents that Swarthmoor will not be earmarked for development.



Yours sincerely,



Steve Bertram  
Pennington Parish Council Chairman

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