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I write as a local resident who has a holiday letting business in Kirkby Lonsdale. I also have a professional interest in the potential public health impacts of the proposed developments.

Firstly, the website is prohibitively complicated for an effective consultation, hence the e mail.

Whilst recognising the need for further developments, the proposed expansion of Kirkby Lonsdale by 30% is excessive. It will turn the Town from a quaint Market Town, (a jewel of a place that nestles neatly between the Dales and the Lakes), to an overspill area for SLDC. The tourist industry is crucial for the survival of the town, and such an expansion will damage the town as a tourist destination.

If houses need to be built, why not consider the land by the Booths roundabout on the south side of the A65. It would be easy to create a junction to the existing roundabout, and people would then not need to drive their cars to the local amenities. Developing sites next to existing residential properties is particular distressing for local residents, and further consideration needs to be made for alternatives.

Thanks

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