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Dear Sir,

Thank you for the presentation at the Brigsteer Village Hall on Wednesday March 2nd.

Unfortunately it is still unclear as to the status of RN 213 the site known locally as "Four Walls"

Your Core Strategy states that CS 1.2 has removed the development boundary from Brigsteer. This is unequivocal and is not open to any meaningful discussion.

Your Strategic Overview clearly states that " All forms of housing development within settlements WILL be allowed where it constitutes in filling or a rounding off of settlements". Why then is RN 213 described in your development plan as an "emerging site" leading residents to believe that a vote against development can influence the future of that land.

This site represents a unique opportunity to demonstrate what can be achieved in sensitively integrating affordable housing into the fabric of an existing settlement. It will require that everybody up their game not least the Planners, refusing to be fobbed off with the neo eclectic nobby land that some local developers would have us believe is traditional lakeland.

I believe that it is now accepted that the density proposed by SLDC is totally inappropriate to the small scale development envisaged, that these figures have given rise to considerable alarm prompting the emotive term of estate, deliberately conjuring up pictures of the local authority depredation of the late 60's and 70's.

We have an opportunity to demonstrate what can be achieved when we engage our intellect and a measure of Christian charity to those in housing need. " Not in my back yard " should be recognized for what it is, driven by fear and timidity, and should not be countenanced when we are capable of so much more.

The opportunity to develop this site should be defended with vigour, to do less would be to fail everybody not least ourselves.

Yours faithfully,

Mike Whorwood. Resident of Brigsteer

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