

The Carterton Expansion

The New Development Plan affects EVERYBODY in Brize Norton
That means YOU!



This includes a proposal to build another huge estate right next to Brize Norton.

Can I do anything to stop this?



Yes you can!



What can I do?



You need to write to WODC NOW, to raise your concerns.



What can I say?



See overleaf for ideas and addresses



Will more houses cause more flooding?



What effect will another 1500 cars have on our village?



Is our distinctive old village being consumed and turned into a suburb of Carterton? Will it lose its identity?



Will we lose the wildlife?



IDEAS AND ADDRESSES

Below there are points which you might like to consider when you are writing your letters / emails to WODC, David Cameron and others. They try to deal with major policy issues, however, please only use them as guidelines. You may agree with them or disagree, and indeed I know some of you have brought up other very relevant points, as for example: wildlife, the fact that such a development would undermine the individual character of our historic village, (recorded in the Domesday book), etc.

Remember, as WODC said at the meeting, your response will be most effective if you say how the proposals affect you, and also the village as a whole. Indeed, they also said that if you could provide details of examples that may well also help.

WODC want your views and we can definitely make a difference.

Email WODC with your views at planning.policy@westoxon.gov.uk
Write to Planning Policy, WODC, Elmfield, New Yatt Rd, Witney OX28 1PB.
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, BUT BY 22ND MARCH AT THE LATEST.

Below are points which you might like to consider when you are writing your letters to WODC and others:

1. It is entirely inappropriate to site so many new houses in one town (1500 already approved, a further 1000 min now proposed). The basic infrastructure and road network, already at capacity, will not support it.

However, if the planners ignore this fundamental point?

2. Development to the West (i.e. on the Alvescot side of Carterton) will:

- a. provide an ample land source for further future growth if necessary
- b. give good access to Swindon and M4
- c. provide natural landscape features to enhance any development there
- d. be as close to the town centre as the other proposed areas
- e. a development to the West, as a relatively undeveloped area, may provide more of an opportunity to avoid flooding to neighbouring villages, compared to building to the East of Carterton.

3. Development to the East (i.e. on the site between Shilton Park and Brize Norton) will:

- a. undermine the individual character of our historic village, (recorded in the Domesday book), as there will be no separation between Brize Norton and Carterton.
- b. lead to high levels of commuter traffic on roads simply not designed for the purpose, cars cutting South through Brize Norton village to access A420 for East Oxford/Didcot and North East for the A40, Oxford and Witney
- c. increase the flood risk, already a significant problem due to Shilton Park, not only long term but at the point where land is stripped for development. Brize Norton seems to be situated in a lower land level than both the villages of Curbridge and Minster Lovell and the town of Carterton. This means that any significant rain fall flows in the direction of Brize Norton. Previously the fields between Carterton and Brize Norton have acted as blotting paper.
- d. The exact area being considered between Brize Norton and Carterton is home to a range of wildlife. By creating the houses in this area we will further diminish the wildlife within the area meaning future generations will not be able to experience the local beauty.

Your Parish Council