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Old Colwyn,
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17/9/19

Dear Sir/Madam,

I attended the open meeting at Sure Hope Church on Mon 9th September & would like to raise my objection to the proposed housing development in Old Colwyn (plus others proposed on our coastal region).

We live in a small town which is quite rural & I feel the current infrastructure will NOT be able to meet the demands of extra housing, people & traffic created by these new builds.

Infrastructure & Roads

I live on Llanellian Road, opposite the Junction with Peulwys Lane which is already congested. Cars are parked on both sides of the road at the lower area of Llanellian Rd, cars travel at speed down from Betws yn Rhos & Llanellian & the junction with Peulwys Lane. When a football match is taking place cars are parked both sides of the road & on corners etc which delays the flow of traffic. Coed Coch Rd is similarly affected. I have lived here for two years & we have had a gas leak & water leaks on the road thought to be due to heavy vehicles. A higher population & higher volume of cars will only cause more congestion, pollution & will impact on health. Although there is a new access road proposed we cannot assume that everyone will be travelling to Abergele/Chester which will incur more traffic on Highlands Rd & roads previously mentioned. The A55, as we have recently found is seriously congested at the best of times & in the event of closure due to accident/roadworks etc then the smaller local roads are nearly gridlocked. Also when our Promenade in Old Colwyn is closed, due to bad weather, then this also impacts on other local routes.

Will current sewers & drainage systems be able to cope with the extra buildings? The road surfaces in the area i.e. Highlands Rd leave a lot to be desired & extra traffic will make things worse.

In the village of Old Colwyn we don't have many large supermarkets to meet current needs or car parking. People driving further afield for shopping will increase traffic congestion & their 'carbon footprint'. Old Colwyn needs further investment!

Health Provision & Services

There will be greater demand on our GP & dental services – Cadwgan surgery has already taken in patients from another surgery in the village which has closed. It is already proving difficult recruiting Doctors to North Wales. With the housing developments being planned along the coastline I wonder what provision is being made at Ysbyty Glan Clwyd for the extra patient load. All hospitals are struggling due to Winter pressures each year. YGC is a small hospital & I am concerned about the extra demand on its services.

Education

Likewise how will our schools , nurseries & local College cope with extra pupils, especially at a time when there have been cuts in Education budgets & teachers have been made redundant.

Environment

Also what impact will building works have on the local environment, wildlife & flora, especially near to Mynydd Marion, a local nature reserve.

Employment

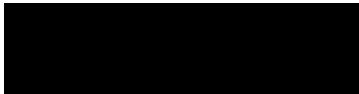
This coastal region is very busy in the Summer due to tourists & a lot of employment is seasonal .

Will there be enough jobs available to attract people to move into the area & of the calibre to attract a skilled workforce?

I hope you will take my Objections into account as having spoken to neighbours I know I am not alone in my thoughts.

Can you please keep me informed regarding any future plans & please contact me by letter at the above address.

Yours faithfully,

A black rectangular box redacting the signature of Valerie Griffiths.

Valerie Griffiths