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I was most displeased to read of another of Portchester's green spaces is to be turned over to please a developers greed, especially since it is being pushed by Merjen, the company who presently occupies the site, A company that will benefit financially from the development, Comments justifying the large development on the hill made by your leader and the council over the last few years gave the impression that development on the small green field plots in the village would be curtailed and that the future housing needs would be satisfied by the planned development on the hill, be it that I am not at all happy about seeing prime farmland being built on I can at least see that it is the lesser of two evils.

But now we hear that one of the most beautiful of spaces, endowed with lovely trees that are at their most beautiful in the spring at the bottom of Station Road is going to be sacrificed for yet more properties aimed at the elderly, not exactly affordable housing for people on the alleged waiting list.

I don't have problem with building on brown field sites but this is place where I see a lot of old folks sit and watch the world go by, and seeing that this development is aimed at the same old folk from the residential site on other side of the road, I wonder where are they going to sit now, and where are all the vehicles going to park, and what about access on that busy junction, Station Road is a rat run for vehicles avoiding the traffic jams of Fareham and of Portsmouth and is so much busier since the M275 junction was changed and it's only going to get worse when that development to the north of Fareham is completed.

The Executive Council Leader stated on 30 Oct 2012 "By putting most of the new housing for the next 30 years in a planned new community North of Fareham allows us to preserve the many areas of green space in the Borough which are close to our existing residents, to me it looks like it's being made up as it goes along.

I thought that after what was stated in 2012 the council would do the honourable thing and stand by what was said and not cave in to yet more inappropriate development.

Regards

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