

BROCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk:
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Dear Resident,

LOCAL PLANNING DEVELOPMENTS

Following a directive from the inspector reviewing parts of the North Somerset Core Strategy, North Somerset Council has had to bring forward the start date for its long term planning strategy to 2016 from 2026.

The four unitary authorities in this part of the west of England, including North Somerset, have produced a draft Joint Spatial Plan (JSP) for the period 2016 to 2036 which proposes a large number of new houses in the Nailsea/Backwell area, including 3,300 houses to the south west of Nailsea and a new development in West Backwell. Taylor Wimpy are proposing to build 700 houses, a Primary School and a new road from the new development to a roundabout on the A370 near the Backwell end of Chelvey Batch on land at Grove Farm and Burnt House Farm to the East of Chelvey Road. This new road is expected to join the proposed link from the M5 to the A370 at Long Ashton but the route is still vague.

This development includes a significant area in Brockley Parish and in the Green Belt.

Your Parish Council is very concerned that if this development goes ahead, the area we live in will be changed for ever and seek your support in opposing it.

You can **comment** on the JSP on line: www.jointplanningwofe.org.uk
or by mail to: West of England Joint Spatial Plan, c/o South Gloucestershire Council,
Planning, PO Box 1954, Bristol BS37 0DD.

The JSP is now open for consultation until **10th January 2018**.

In addition, the *North Somerset Local Plan to 2036* is being formulated and you can give your views up until 10th January at: www.n-somerset.gov.uk/localplan2036.

It should be noted that the increase in population is not matched by an increase in employment in this area which will result in increased commuting with economic and environmental consequences.

Because this has become highly political, it would be a good idea for as many parishioners as possible to write to our MP who has already become involved and seems sympathetic.

The Rt Hon Dr Liam Fox MP
House of Commons
London, SW1A 0AA

Your Council is keen to provide you with information with minimum of delay and ask that you provide the Clerk with an email address and give your permission for her to use it for such purposes. The Parish Council email address is brockleypc@hotmail.co.uk. Alternatively, Joanna can be contacted on the telephone number, above.

Additional information can be found under "the future of Backwell" on the Backwell village website backwell-pc.gov.uk

Yours Sincerely,

Dr Julian Ridge
Chairman of the Brockley Parish Council