



## PLEASE OBJECT TO THE LATEST PLANS TO DESTROY CLIFTON PASTURES

There is yet another consultation on the development plan of building housing and industry on Clifton Pastures. A document with an Objection Form will be posted to all Clifton Village households in the next few days. This document can also be found on our website:

[www.clifton-village.org.uk](http://www.clifton-village.org.uk)

You can also comment on line via:

<http://rushcliffe.limehouse.co.uk/common/register.jsp>

The closing date for comments is 12th April  
– please make sure you reply by then.

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You will probably know by now that there is yet another consultation on a plan to build a massive development of housing and industry on Clifton Pastures and the land between the Gotham Road and the A453. This development would spread from Clifton as far as Gotham and Thrumpton.

**You may have written about this before - and you might be wondering why you may need to write again - this is why:**

- The present Government's agreed approach to planning (through the Regional Plan) is to tell local authorities how many houses to build, and in Rushcliffe's case, where to build them- 10,000 of a total of 15,000 have to be built either alongside Clifton or West Bridgford over the next 19 years.
- Rushcliffe Borough Council does not agree with this approach, but are going along with it because they think that they would be forced to through the courts if they refused.
- Barton Parish Council, along with the parishes of Gotham, Thrumpton, Ruddington and Gamston, is asking everyone to object, so that Rushcliffe realises how strongly people feel about this scale of development in the Green Belt.
- It is important that we do not stop writing just because Rushcliffe seem to have given in at

this stage. If there are thousands of objections – which we hope there will be – then the Borough Council may feel that to represent the feelings of people they have to challenge the regional plan.

- As one of the worst affected areas, Clifton people need to be seen to be objecting strongly to the plans.
- There is a General Election coming – whichever party forms the next Government will not have the money to build the tram, or possibly even widen the A453. Without that, it would be ridiculous to build a massive development next to Clifton. The Conservative Party have also indicated that they would scrap the Regional Plan.

### **How do you object?**

The easiest way is to fill in the form provided and either send it in to the address overleaf.

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What should you say?

It's up to you what you say, but we would suggest that you Say No to question 1 and Yes to questions 2 and 3. You could also say :

- You object to the development proposals, and in particular the scale and location of development proposed, commenting that you object to the development in Rushcliffe, and particularly Clifton Pastures because:

- o Nottinghamshire is supposed to have a Green Belt – building this many houses will destroy its openness and lead to an increase in towns and villages joining up, and create the urban sprawl that the Green Belt is there to prevent
- o The population trends upon which the housing numbers are based are fundamentally flawed
- o There is no demand for such a massive growth in housing
- o The transport infrastructure will be unable to cope with this growth
- o Nottinghamshire's countryside will be permanently changed for the worse
- o The construction industry does not have the capacity to deliver this unrealistic number of houses each year

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Is there anything else happening?

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