

1. It is certainly unsustainable to propose the increase in housing in the Salisbury district when traffic congestion is forecast to increase by 75% even after the suggested changes to the transport network. Salisbury roads themselves will become one giant car park during rush hour.
2. The Atkins report suggestions do not take into account the fact that Salisbury does not have a by-pass and that much of the traffic is simply passing through. I cannot take seriously their suggestion of creating T-junctions and limiting access on certain roads as being credible solutions.
3. The fact that Salisbury is a medieval city should have been sufficient reason to deter plans on the scale Wiltshire propose. Surely modern towns such as Andover, Basingstoke and Swindon are better suited to growth on this large scale, with their modern transport systems.
4. There are problems within the district already, with regard to transport. During the cold weather:
 - a. The refuse collection could not cope with Winterslow's rubbish over Christmas 2009/2010. The cardboard/plastic waste was collected on 10th December 2009 and left until 21st January 2010. The paper/tins waste was collected December 10th 2009 and left until 22nd January 2010. The household refuse was collected 17th December 2009 and only once again between that date and 21st January 2010. This emphasises the problems we have with roads and begs the question as to the suitability of Winterslow as a secondary housing site.
 - b. We have no gas supply in Winterslow and no oil deliveries were made for a couple of weeks after the Christmas holiday, purely because the oil tankers could not reach us. The oil depot was open.

1. I do not think Winterslow is suitable as a secondary housing site because:
 - a. My son's class at Winterslow school has 31 children and my daughter's has 29.
 - b. I do not think the school could cope with higher numbers.
2. The roads in Winterslow are very narrow, with houses (not gardens) very close to the road in several places.
3. Buses take up the whole of the main road when they pass through the village.
4. During the cold weather this winter buses did not travel to Winterslow at all and school children were stranded (with no means of reaching school) even when the bus service had supposedly been resumed on 8.1.10.
5. When buses are running on schedule my grammar school children catch their bus (Wilts& Dorset 89) at 7.47am where they must change buses at the station to reach school at 8.45. On their return, they leave school at 3.45pm and only reach home at 4.50pm. I think it is scandalous that it should take them approximately an hour to make a 10 mile journey.
6. I believe the 89 bus is slow in part because of the schedule allotted to it but largely because of traffic congestion in Salisbury. The building of more houses in the district will create more congestion and increase journey times.
7. On Wednesday evening, when I take my daughter swimming, there is a horrendous traffic queue at the Churchill Way/Castle Road roundabout that even when you reach the front of the queue, the traffic lights often change twice without my being able to move the car. This is because the roundabout itself is so jammed.
8. During rush hour the traffic queues from:

- a. From Bishopdown Farm to St. Marks Roundabout.
 - b. From half way down Churchill Way North to Castle Road roundabout.
 - c. Castle Road traffic queues from near the Harvester right down into the centre.
 - d. Southampton Road traffic is nearly continuously blocked, the queue reaching back in rush hours towards St. Mark's Roundabout.
9. During the cold weather this year none of the Park and Rides were open for about 2 weeks in January. What will happen when we have an increased population and even less parking in the city and you can only park for five hours?

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1. If the Central Car Park is built on it will mean more traffic congestion and less available parking spaces in a city where traffic problems already exist. The problems will be exacerbated by a much increased population.