

Egginton Parish Council

AXIS 50/Burnaston Cross

Dear Parishioners,

A major Planning Application has been received regarding the erection of a large scale industrial/commercial estate in Willington, between the railway line and the Toyota roundabout. Willington it may be but it has the prospect of adversely affecting all our lives. Principally through increased traffic in Willington and Repton and the prospect of adding to Willington's flooding problems, which then often back-up in to Egginton.

Access SDDC's planning page here <https://planning.southderbyshire.gov.uk/> In 'Location Keyword', enter 'Willington' to find the application.

Comments to be received by South Derbyshire Planning not later than 14 October 2019.

Egginton Parish Council has considered this application and resolved at its recent meeting to meet adjoining Parish Councils, to share information and obtain a better understanding of the likely impacts upon the local community.

This application is on the site of the former TNT application site, known as Burnaston Cross, which was refused permission 9 years ago and subsequently lost on Appeal.

The new 'Axis 50' proposal is little different from its predecessor but without the then proposed rail link. In the intervening years a large volume of planning case law has been removed to be replaced by National Planning Guidance, which has the presumption that applications will be approved so long as they can demonstrate sustainability.

The Parish Council deems this application to be speculative, unnecessary in terms of economic need and outside the recently agreed South Derby District Council Plan, parts 1 and 2. Whilst the developers claim it is sustainable, the developers themselves say there is interest in companies from Swadlincote looking to move to the site and that the bulk of the estimated 1,500 employees will have to travel to the proposed site from Swadlincote. This does not appear to meet the sustainability criteria.

Willington Parish Council (and adjoining Councils) are objecting strongly and have appointed planning and traffic consultants to provide further technical evidence and advice.

Attached you will find:

- Burnaston Cross Appeal Decision 2010;
- AXIS 50 Site Plan
- AXIS 50 - Willington PC Objections:

- AXIS 50 - Egginton PC Objections;
- **How to make your comments known to SDDC.**

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Clerk to Egginton Parish Council

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