

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### Comments sent to CBC 7th September 2020

A [CB/20/02310/OUT](#) comments due 07/09

Land East of Norton Road, Stotfold, Beds

Outline application: of up to 70 residential units

**Town Council comments** we object to this application. The proposed development falls within the Important Countryside Gap 7 Land South of Stotfold, leading into Letchworth, as referred to in Internal Consultation Memo 716344. We share the concerns of the Planning Officer that this proposal would lead to the coalescence of Stotfold and Letchworth Garden City. The proposal is against the Mid Beds District Council Core Strategy and the emerging Central Beds Council Local Plan Policy SP7. In para 2.7, page 6 of the planning design and access statement, the applicant states that there is unlikely to be any archaeology on this site, however there has been archaeology discovered on other developments in close proximity to this site. The archaeology Internal Consultation Memo 580984 objects to this application because there is nothing referred to in the application documents to indicate that an archaeology survey will be carried out. We strongly feel that this site does require a full archaeological survey. If this application is agreed by Central Beds Council, or by an Inspector at an appeal, one of the memos regarding S106 allocations includes the sum of £62,720 for Saxon Pool & Leisure Centre in Biggleswade. We object to this allocation because this leisure centre is very difficult for anyone to get to from Stotfold if they don't have a car, and by bus is a very convoluted and expensive process. We query why this S106 allocation has not been directed to the more local Pendleton Centre, or other more locally accessible amenity which Stotfold residents would better be able to use