

Dear Sir

Collingtree Allotment Association

Comments on the proposed Roxhill Northampton Gateway development

Working on allotments has been a long time historical activity and is currently an activity of residents of the community of the Conservation Village of Collingtree. People with ages ranging from their late twenties to over ninety enjoy the local allotment because they wish to grow their own produce as organically as possible and benefit from the health advantages of the physical activity and the social interaction the allotment and the local Association provide. The allotment site lies to the north of the proposed development and just over the M1. There are already the effects of fumes from the motorway on crops and the health of the allotment holders, with some suffering from the symptoms of asthma. The reasons for this objection to the proposed development are that the multiple lorry movements will add greatly to the level of fumes being blown toward the allotment by the prevailing south westerly wind and the installation and 24 hour working of the site will ruin the peaceful enjoyment of the traditional allotment activities. The government is working to increase the health-giving activities of the people, especially for their physical and mental well-being and especially for the older generation. The effect of this development will fly in the face of that governmental aspiration and should therefore not be permitted.

Regards

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