



HFDAG - Hanwell Fields Development Action Group

What terrible destruction of our landscape!

Hanwell Fields Development Action Group have made their own mock-up pictures of the destruction to the landscape that would be caused by development of the West side of the proposed Southam Road site, a housing plan made by Cherwell District Council in their Local Plan 2012.

Here are two images, the first as the landscape is now, and the second covered in the proposed housing development.



The landscape today



The destruction that would happen

The development has been proposed by a foreign land speculator, Bedworth Trading Ltd, and presented to our community by the planning consultants Rapleys in Banbury Town Hall.

Compare this to the disingenuous photo montage shown by Rapleys at their exhibition on 30 May 2012.



Rapleys Montage

Clearly the montage presented by Rapleys is a complete deception aimed at persuading Hanwell Field residents, and the planning people at Cherwell District Council,

that there would be minimum impact on the landscape.

Over 60 local residents have now signed up to reject any development North of Duke's Meadow Drive, both at the west end, a site known as North Hanwell, and at the East end at this site known as Southam Road or Hardwick Farm.

Residents of Hanwell Fields and the nearby village of Hanwell are particularly incensed about the proposals to build on the rising landscape to the North, which has many times been quoted as forming the northern setting of Banbury. Way back from 1997, when the Hanwell Fields estate was designed, the land north of Duke's Meadow Drive was designated "the new urban edge" of Banbury, and said to "Create an attractive and comfortable northern edge to the town at its interface with the Area of High Landscape Value to the north"

Hanwell Fields Development Action Group is firmly of the opinion that their inclusion of BAN2 in the new Local Plan 2012 was driven by requests from speculative land grabbers, not by the needs of our community, which have been not sort-for and totally ignored.

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Note:

This is the area called BAN2 defined by Cherwell District Council:



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