



**2750 new homes in the fields  
around Lytchett Minster!**

**A development the size of  
Upton!**

**This is what could be forced  
upon us by the Government if we  
do not act!**

**We have ONLY until the 17<sup>th</sup> October.**

The homes will be built on Green Belt, ruin the character of our area, substantially increase the volume of traffic in and around Upton, strain our infrastructure and services (schools, doctors, police etc.), threaten our heathlands and wildlife, and Poole will sprawl as far as Lytchett Matravers. It is also ignoring local democracy - our councils, local MP and other bodies oppose it.

An Upton RSS Action Group has been set up to help fight against these plans (which are part of the Regional Spatial Strategy - the RSS - for the South West). We are raising awareness within Upton and encouraging a strong response to try to defeat this. Our group is not opposed to development and new homes. It is the scale of this proposal, and its effects, that we oppose. It is also part of an overall plan for 48,100 new homes across the Bournemouth and Poole area by 2026. We believe this too is excessive and will have damaging local effects. A 12 week public consultation is now underway, giving everyone the chance to have a say.

## **HAVE YOUR SAY – HOW TO GO ABOUT IT**

Ideally we would all read through the documentation and submit individual responses. Some will want to do this, and details are given below. Many of us will not have time to get to grips with all the information, but still want to respond. The RSS is complicated, and responses need to be targeted at specific parts. So we have produced a response form to cover the objections that most Upton people might have, and to identify the relevant parts of the RSS they apply to.

If you couldn't (or didn't want to) complete our Upton response form when it was delivered, please have a look at it now and if you agree with the objections raised, fill in your details, sign it and drop it off at the Town Council Office at 1 Moorland Parade, Moorland Way, Upton, BH16 5JS (or post it). We will do the rest. A separate form for each adult would be great if you can.

For those wishing to write a response themselves, the RSS can be viewed either online at: [http://gosw.limehouse.co.uk/portal/regional\\_strategies/drss](http://gosw.limehouse.co.uk/portal/regional_strategies/drss) or at Upton library. These also have the RSS standard response form (available by phoning 0117 900 1705 as well). A letter or email is also a sufficient response, but whichever method is used - it must refer to the relevant parts of the RSS - otherwise it will not have value. The above proposal for 2750 homes is "Area of Search 7B at Lytchett Minster", part of HMA7 in Section 4. Transport plans such as "demand management" (pricing us off the roads!) are in Section 5. Mention these in your response - use our standard Upton response as a guide - and add whatever objections you can think of.

For more information on how to help our group contact either: Richard Hiles (631545), Andy Young (771760) or Simon Thomson (621574) Or for the latest updates please look on the Town Council website: [www.lytchettminsteranduptontowncouncil.co.uk](http://www.lytchettminsteranduptontowncouncil.co.uk) or in the local community magazine "The Clarion".

**Please don't forget to respond in at least one way!**