



CAMMO RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (CRA)

January 2015 - Appeal Objection

Say No to houses on Cammo fields – update and action!

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As you may have picked up from the press, developers Halliday Fraser Munro have appealed against Edinburgh Council's failure to make a decision on their proposal to build 670 homes on the Cammo fields. It has SINCE been announced that Scottish Housing Minister, Alex Neil, will personally decide on their appeal. See this Edinburgh Evening News to find out more

<http://www.edinburghnews.scotsman.com/news/alex-neil-speeds-up-plans-for-1200-lothian-homes-1-3653402#.VK0sO8qXn5Y>

If Alex Neil accepts the appeal Cammo will be designated as a building site and construction may well blight all our lives for years to come.

The CRA Committee is very critical of these latest developments. In particular we argue that:

- A decision on Cammo being taken by at Scottish Government not City Council level undermines local democracy
- Determining the Cammo proposal in isolation ignores the important cumulative impact that the range of housing proposals across west Edinburgh (over 4000 homes) will have on our roads, health facilities, children's schooling and environment.
- This approach also ignores alternative development sites, many of which are brownfield. The City Council needs to look at these options. In particular, the proposed Gogar Garden District could largely provide the housing required until 2024.
- The transport, environmental and social impacts of the 670 home Cammo proposal make it unsustainable. Sustainability is a key plank of Scottish Government Planning Policy, so the appeal should be rejected out of hand.
- If building on the Cammo fields goes ahead our road infrastructure will become seriously gridlocked. As well as being a daily problem, we fear a significant risk to response time for emergency vehicles which use the Maybury Road is a vital link.

It is imperative that those determining the appeal know about local concerns and objections. The CRA Committee is doing all it can, submitting representations, contacting local politicians and through social media, but we need your help.

Please contact your MP, MSP and City Councillors (see below). Let them know your views. Appeal to them to represent you and fight on your behalf to save Cammo fields from development. Contact as soon as you can.....

Scottish Housing Minister

Alex Neil MSP, The Scottish Parliament, Holyrood, Edinburgh, EH99 1SP. Email alex.neil.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

MSPs

- **Colin Keir MSP** (SNP), Constituency MSP for Edinburgh Western, Constituency Office, 14 Featherhall Place, Corstorphine, Edinburgh, EH12 7TN. Email Colin.Keir.msp@scottish.parliament.uk. Colin's surgeries on the 1st Monday of each month at 5.30pm at Blackhall Library and 2nd Monday of each month at 5pm at Tesco Extra Corstorphine (foyer).

The address for all Lothian Regional MSPs is: The Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh, EH99 1SP preceded by the room number given below.

- **Cameron Buchanan MSP** (Scottish Conservative and Unionist), Room M2.06,. Email: cameron.buchanan.msp@scottish.parliament.uk
- **Sarah Boyack MSP** (Scottish Labour), Room MG.20. Email: Sarah.Boyack.msp@scottish.parliament.uk
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- **Alison Johnstone MSP** (Scottish Green Party, Room MG.06. Email: Alison.Johnstone.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

MP and candidates for the Westminster election in May 2015:

- **Mike Crockhart MP** (Liberal Democrat), Edinburgh West, 185 St John's Road, Edinburgh, EH12 7SL. Email: Mike.crockhart.mp@parliament.uk
- **Cammy Day**, Scottish Labour, Edinburgh West. Email mailto:Cammy@cammyday.com
- See also **Lindsay Paterson** below. .

Local councillors:

By post to: The City of Edinburgh Council, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1YJ. By email to the addresses given below:

- **Norman Work** (SNP Group) norman.work@edinburgh.gov.uk
- **Lindsay Paterson** (Conservative Group) lindsay.paterson@edinburgh.gov.uk (also standing as a candidate in the 2015 Westminster election)
- **Alastair Shields** (Liberal Democrat Group) alastair.shields@edinburgh.gov.uk

Edinburgh City Council Planning Committee members:

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- Councillor Perry**, Convener of the Planning Committee, (Labour) ian.perry@edinburgh.gov.uk
- Councillor Howat**, Vice Convener of the Planning Committee, (SNP) sandy.howat@edinburgh.gov.uk
- Councillor Bagshaw** (Scottish Green Group) nigel.bagshaw@edinburgh.gov.uk
- Councillor Blacklock** (Labour) angela.blacklock@edinburgh.gov.uk
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