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Object

Document Element: Policy SA3: Housing Allocations

Respondent: Mrs Heather Bolton

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Summary:

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Full text:

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Change suggested by respondent:

South Staffordshire needs to remove the land at Weeping Cross from the housing allocation list and relocated the 81 dwellings to else where in South Staffordshire where the housing will support South Staffordshire economy and housing needs, and truly meet their vision and objectives. Stafford Borough Council does not need this housing on their border, their housing need is already met within their borough. The inclusion of this land, makes no sense and it not thought out. Inclusion of this land, will lead to further areas of land being put forward for development, ultimately resulting in Stafford reaching Action Trussell.

Legally compliant: No

Sound: No

Comply with duty: No

Attachments: None