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**From:** Colin Simons [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 16 June 2019 12:39:06  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Objection to housing development in Burtonwood.

Its extremely Sad to have to send this objection letter in the first place, how can the council even be considering building more houses on such Beautiful Countryside.

The villages of Burtonwood and Collins Green are so unique. They have managed to retain a sense of a rural community about them in looks and in sense of being.

Only a few short weeks ago before I became aware of what could befall our village, I was sitting with my wife on the lovely bench seat at the end of Green lane into Phipps lane admiring the two beautiful trees across the road and listening to the birds singing merrily, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the peace and tranquillity at that time of the evening with only a few cars passing was extremely welcome, I believe this to be the case for many who live here, otherwise we would have chosen to live in a town.

With imagination and careful management these villages could be made to look as good as any picturesque village in the UK.

By turning them into towns we will be missing a Wonderful opportunity to preserve a great northern heritage.

In some parts of the village the views are priceless

for instance looking across the fields to see clearly in the distance The Sankey valley nine arches a designated Grade one listed building which carries across it probably The Worlds oldest passenger railway, very soon to Celebrate 200 years of operating.

The Hedge rows and Trees throughout the area are somewhat unique, The Abundance of wild life and wild flowers many extremely rare are a Breath of fresh air and Should be Saved and Cared for.

From a personal point of view we came to live in this village to be part of a rural community, we never thought back then that there would be the possibility this village might one day be Sprawled into the town of St Helens and surrounding areas.

I ask that you carefully consider the future of this Great village and not allow the building of new housing estates, for once let us put The Countryside Environment First.

Colin E Simons.