

For the record, I would like to highlight that you have stated that you find the Greater Nottingham Aligned Core Strategies housing target of a minimum of 30,550 new homes (2011 to 2028) to be sound. However, your statement was made in advance of the second week of hearings when the Inquiry had not fully considered the environmental constraints in relation to this, namely the development of Green Belt land.

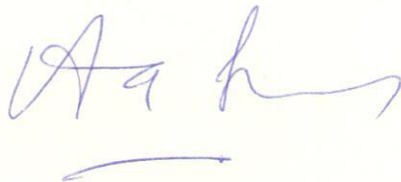
I understand that you have directed Rushcliffe Borough Council to undertake a review of their Green Belt land before they pursue their local plan. In my view, there is no good reason why a similar approach should not have been taken in Broxtowe.

My very profound concern is that any decision regarding the Core Strategy and Public Inquiry is pre-determined. I would request full disclosure of any correspondence between you, the Planning Inspectorate and Broxtowe Borough Council officers and councillors regarding housing targets and sites.

As you will see, as a result of my concern that this is a flawed inquiry, I am copying this letter to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government.

I look forward to your response.

*With best wishes,*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Anna Soubry', with a horizontal line underneath.

**Anna Soubry MP**

cc. The Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP, Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government  
Carmel Edwards, Programme Officer