SOUTH WORCESTERSHIRE VILLAGES

Summary of a vibrant tourist economy comments:

- Access needs to be considered fully before planning permission is given to any caravan / camp sites.
- Already have enough hotels, B&Bs and holiday lets.
- But these policies should also extend to provisions of heritage facilities e.g museums, heritage centres, churches, countryside interpretation, the geopark etc.
- Encourage growth through free enterprise, allowing businesses to grow and develop and help new ventures to start.
- If a high standard is maintained, if will only encourage tourism and hence attract wealth to the area.
- Rural employment is very important and sites should be encouraged more - with grant aid, rates and tax relief.
- There is already a hotel (The Hundred House) in the village, and tourism consists of ramblers.
- Too much noise.
- Would not include caravan sites.
- You have to think of the impact caravan sites etc would have on a small village. We already have the Elms, the Hundred House and B&Bs for tourists. We do not need more.
- By introducing such a large density development into Great Witley, it will make our village a big urban housing estate. The impact will be that fewer tourists will choose our hotels or B&B's for their rural breaks.
- Sufficient capacity within existing hotels and bed and breakfasts in South Worcestershire
- Questions are deliberately geared in favour of development
- Hallow does not, at present seem to have many B&Bs or guest houses.
- Cultural activities can be organised by parishes, there are times when policies are no substitute for vibrant market activities.
- Caravan sites should not become mobile home villages as has happened locally.
- Tourists come to our village because it's a beautiful village. Building houses on fields will drive tourists away.
- Brings much needed money to the area.
- Only what can be sustained, e.g. Foley Arms Hotel went bust.
- As long as accommodation is situated close to these sites of tourism
- Artificial activities are not required. Countryside pursuits could be introduced.
- No more inns, food outlets or caravan sites.
- Worcester Area very limited Visitor accommodation
- I believe Worcester has sufficient sites,
- South Worcestershire is not a high tourist attraction area and I consider we have sufficient hotels, bed and breakfasts, caravan sites and cultural activities to cover tourism needs. Some hotels etc have already closed due to lack of business.
- Sensible Diversification is most important to the agricultural community.

- More realistic approach needed (eg need for footpaths/bus routes an irrelevance for rural sites).
- Stanbrook Abbey would be suitable for a hotel.
- Tourists will not come if they spend too much time in traffic jams.
- Much more could be made of our river, and the parking charges are far too high to attract visitors.
- By all means support these, but they are private enterprises. I'm not in favour of government having policies on everything.
- It is essential that the DPD contain policies to support the important tourist economy both within our towns and in more rural areas. They should provide guidance on the appropriate location for new hotels and conference facilities. There should also be support for less intensive development such as holiday villages comprising chalets, camping facilities and pitches for touring caravans.
- People are spending Holidays in this Country more because of the economy. Caravans were booming last year.