Housing Plan for the RVBC

This plan is **Unsound** on the basis of inadequate infrastructure concerning Education, the Health Service, Leisure, Transport, and Utilities.

Here is a summary of the 222 page Local Housing Plan produced by RVBC. This highlights the effects of building 1,670 additional houses in Clitheroe, without a **SOUND** infrastructure plan.

- **No guarantees** water and wastewater services can be provided for extra substantial developments.
- **Continued liaison** is required to ensure timely delivery of a sustainable infrastructure.
- **Failure** will affect the quality of life for the existing community and the environment.
- **New developments** of substantial size will put pressure on existing refuse collections.

- 1,670 new homes equals **4,024 extra people** living in Clitheroe, all seeking medical care.
- **No confirmation** Clitheroe Hospital will be upgraded or developed due to the economic downturn.
- **No plans** to increase GP practices but informed health services in **towns outside** the Ribble Valley.

  - The Government say a Transport statement and a Travel Plan **should support** all developments.
  - RVBC's response is that the Local Travel Plan contains **no significant** highway improvement.
  - LCC will be developing a Local Transport Plan **over the next few years**.
  - Whalley Rd is a DEFRA 'Quality Air Management Zone' due to **high levels of Nitrogen Dioxide**.
  - RVBC hope to develop a Cycle strategy for the Town.
  - There are **no plans** to increase public car park provision for the extra 2,269 cars.

  - RVBC have **no plans** to fund a new sports Centre.
  - **No money** available to upgrade Roefield Swimming facilities even though it needs maintenance.

  - RVBC acknowledge there are **significant implications** at the Standen Estate site for education.
  - Their response is that LCC holds the responsibility for providing adequate Primary school places.
  - LCC **unable to provide** greater detail of available money for education as **funding is only known until 2014**, because the Government has not yet determined future funding.
  - Land at Standen Estates will be available for a primary school but there are **no plans** to build one.
  - The 1,670 new homes in Clitheroe will bring **over 300 children** of Secondary School age.
  - RVBC state there are numerous secondary schools in towns **outside the Ribble Valley** for Ribble Valley residents.

Clitheroe makes up **25% of the Ribble Valley population** and we should not have to absorb more than **25% of any planned new development**. Instead we are expected to build **42% of the overall plan** on ‘hopes and aspirations’ not a credible infrastructure plan.

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