

While welcoming the Council's fulfilment of its statutory obligation to ensure that sufficient school places will be available for the anticipated resident population, I would like to raise two points of possible concern. One is the cost of the independent assessments that the council has apparently commissioned, bearing in mind that we always need to be sure that outside expertise is only bought when seriously necessary. Secondly, I would seek assurance that it will be possible to adapt the plans to take account of the housing developments which go ahead despite the plans of the Draft Core Strategy, such as at Monger Lane in Midsomer Norton recently allowed on appeal.

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