

*This is yours ...*



*If you want to lose it -*

*do nothing!*

Dear Resident

**Persimmon Housing Development - Newfield Farm**

Persimmon Homes have now confirmed their plans to build 252 houses on what is now Newfield Farm agricultural land. You have told us what your views were on the proposals. You now have **only until Christmas** to let the Planning Authorities know your opinions before they decide whether or not to pass Persimmons' plans. Your views are essential!!!

Please write to:

Planning Department  
Chester-le-Street District Council  
Civic Centre  
Newcastle Road  
Chester-le-Street  
DH3 3UT  
email: [\*\*StephenReed@chester-le-street.gov.uk\*\*](mailto:StephenReed@chester-le-street.gov.uk)

You can comment to the Planning Department on :

1. Were you consulted when the original Chester-le-Street Local Plan was written in 2001 - and changed in 2003? Did you have the opportunity to register your views then?
2. 252 houses – mostly “executive” – where Newfield Farm is now will change the character of this area from a collection of villages separated by greenfield (once upon a time it was greenbelt!) to one almost continuous housing development. You are asked to believe that Newfield Farm itself will be the limit of this development. Is this what you want?
3. What was it that we keep getting told by Government: “We give priority to brownfield development”? There used to be miners' houses in William Street. Any new Persimmon “affordable” houses planned there? Someone off message somewhere?
3. The newcomers will be mainly from outside the area and will commute to and from Newcastle, Durham ... The pressure from the extra traffic on our local roads will be immense. If you think you have commuting problems now, “you ain't seen nothin' yet”!
4. The pressures from construction traffic over the coming 3 – 5 years (1000 [??] artics to and from Pelton bypass passing between Newfield Schools) will be huge. Are the roads capable of handling this traffic? Have you been given credible assurances that the system can take it, with or without further major rebuilding and road widening?
5. Do you believe that this area actually needs 252 extra houses? Have you seen any For Sale signs recently? How long have they been there? Or do you think that preventing 50 job losses is more important? Is somebody putting the cart before the horse? Or just living on another planet?
6. Where do you think the doctors and dentists are going to come from to cover 252 extra households? Ask Persimmon Homes! (0191 499 0011)

The Planning Department wants to hear your views. If you keep quiet you will have to put up with the consequences – for a **l o n g** time. If you write we can get the system to use common sense, even block the plans completely.

**PLEASE DON'T JUST DO NOTHING! Just say (why) you object to Persimmons proposals – or not, if you don't.**

**BUT YOU HAVE ONLY GOT UNTIL CHRISTMAS TO HAVE YOUR SAY.**

***Newfield-Pelton Action Group\*\****

PS You can save yourself a postage stamp (and an envelope!) by dropping your letter off to any of the following:

Tweed House, Newfield, DH2 2RU, Don  
14 Newfield Terrace, Newfield, DH2 2JN, Sharon Horrocks  
2 North View, Newfield, Jean Sanders

3 Industrial St, Pelton Lane Ends, DH2 1NR, Carol Dennis  
2 Lovaine St, Pelton Lane Ends, DH2 1PE, Dawn Pattinson

6 Beamish Court, Pelton, DH2 1XD, Peter Ward  
9 The Parade, Pelton, Alf McNulty

10 Church Road, Pelton, DH2 1LZ, Pasha KiaPasha  
14 Heathmeads, Pelton, DH2 1NA, Iain Fergusson  
60 Heathmeads, Pelton, DH2 1XD, Jim Brown  
76 Heathmeads, Pelton, DH2 1NB, Emily Stouph

4 Harelow Close, off Station Lane, Pelton, DH2 1TT, Gordon Henry  
4 Pelton House Farm Estate, Station Lane, Pelton, DH2 2RF, Pauline Perkins  
7 Charles Terrace, off Station Lane, Silvia Wood  
5 Station Houses, off Station Lane, Pelton, Allison Chase

Alternatively you can send an email with your views to:

**[stephenreed@chester-le-street.gov.uk](mailto:stephenreed@chester-le-street.gov.uk)**

or ourselves at:

**[npag3@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:npag3@yahoo.co.uk)**

or visit us at:

**[www.npag2006.co.uk](http://www.npag2006.co.uk)**

\*\* Covering also Pelton Fell and Pelton Lane Ends