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Dear Planners

As a concerned resident of Gossington I would like to register my objection to the Wisloe Garden Village proposal in the Stroud District Council Draft Local Plan.

I think that the proposal would effectively destroy the individual and distinct local rural communities of Gossington, Slimbridge, Cambridge and Wisloe by filling the area that separates them with a substantial development, thereby creating an amorphous blob of development and joining together separate communities. I thought the current planning thinking was to avoid coalescence and instead to focus on dispersing the development area in order to minimise the negative impact on individual communities.

The sheer scale of the proposed development would destroy the current rural character of the area and involve developing almost 100% on virgin rural, agricultural land. The Severn Vale is one of the most rural areas in the Stroud District and the proposal would have a correspondingly bigger impact on this rural community than developing elsewhere and would substantially degrade what makes it a lovely place to live.

Surely it would make more sense to either locate this additional housing in a much more dispersed manner or to concentrate it in areas that already have large scale development, nearer larger areas of employment so it blends in more, such as Hardwicke.

Regards

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