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I wish to comment and formally object to the above proposal for the following reasons:

* Slimbridge has a history of problems with drainage which includes flooding and foul water/sewage run offs. This would surely be increased many times over if an additional 1500 houses are built. With an ever increasing sign of extreme weather conditions, this winter has been a prime example, building onto land which at least can be used as a soak away for excess rainwater at the moment, will then take away this natural source of drainage.

* A38 - already a fast and dangerous stretch of road (despite the speed restriction) this road would struggle to accommodate an additional 6000+ cars from the Wisloe proposal alone. I understand noise levels are well above the levels allowed already and pollution levels will automatically increase dramatically also.

* Box Road - this road has become difficult to drive along since the previous and current building of housing estates along it. There is no longer any room for commuters to park either in the railway station car park or on the road itself and this alone is becoming a dangerous road to navigate with individuals driving too fast and sometimes, too impatiently as well.

*Agricultural Land Classification - the Wisloe land has, as the result of a land survey paid for by the Council, ignored the Natural England classification of it being Grade 2 land (good agricultural land which should NEVER be considered for development) to a 3b which is the trigger to approve development. The results are surely questionable and I believe there to be little faith in this classification to anyone outside of the Council who surely have a vested interest as it is their land and they want to sell it (I believe to make money, they say to provide housing need.) Who are they trying to kid?!

* Conservation - there is a potential threat to wildlife. There are records and sightings of Red Data listed birds. These include Lapwing and Curlew which have a high level of protection together with the Palmate newt, created newt and long eared bats. As it is the Ernest Cook Trust together with the council who are proposing on making money from selling their land, I am somewhat confused as I was always led to believe that the Ernest Cook Trust were supposed to be stewards of the countryside rather than the destroyers of it?

* Environmental - as SDC have committed themselves to being , by 2030, carbon neutral and emphasise that they have such a strong environmental ethos, how would the increased levels of pollution, including noise pollution, stand up against this commitment?

Regards

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