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I [REDACTED] wish to register the  
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document, and the Local Plan Review Sustainability Appraisal and Scoping Report:

1. **Traffic** - there appears to be no provision for improving the local road network. Already leaving Slimbridge to join the A38 or to continue on the A4135 in the direction at Cam can be subject to congestion, especially at the beginning and end to the working day. Building up to 1500 homes would substantially increase this congestion, and effect the links to the local road network.
2. **Infrastructure** - The proposed development would adversely impact the local petrol station and supermarket which already at times have reached their capacity. In addition there are already limited retailers such as chemists in the area. Whilst the proposed development is to include a school, other local schools would nevertheless be impacted too, assuming they have the capacity. The local school in Slimbridge already results in daily traffic congestion at opening and closing times.
3. **Containment** - The development is not self contained, but would have a significant impact on the villages of Slimbridge and Cambridge, and would go some way to merging them with Cam. Thereby affecting the local villages identity.
4. **Farmland and Habitat** - Much of the proposed development will utilise farmland classified as good to excellent, rather than utilising brown field sites or land of poorer quality.
5. **Environment** - The Vale of Berkeley is a special area flanking the Severn Estuary and the Cotswolds escarpment. It contains Special Areas of Conservation, Special Protection Areas, Sites of Special Scientific Interest, Key Wildlife Sites. Strategic Green Infrastructure Framework Areas and Strategic Nature Areas, the latter two have areas close to the development site. In addition the world famous WWT site at the New Grounds in Slimbridge, albeit a little distance from the proposed site, is nevertheless intrinsically linked to the bird and wildlife corridor of the Berkeley Vale. Adding such a densely populated site close by is bound to have an impact on both the local wildlife and the local environment.
6. **Locality** - The local areas of Slimbridge and Cambridge in particular, have their own village identity within attractive local landscapes. Any local development needs to ensure that these identities are maintained and the overall landscape is protected. Whilst small local developments could be integrated into the area, such a large development as that proposed would endanger, and impact on, the special rural environment of the locality.

I trust that these objections will be taken into account by the Stroud District Council.

Yours sincerely,

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