

Local Plan Review,  
The Planning Strategy Team,  
Stroud District Council,  
Ebley Mill,  
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14th Jan 2019

Dear Sir(s),

I am writing with reference to proposed developments in  
Minchinhampton: PSOS East of Tobaccoist Road.

This is following my visit to the Planning Strategy Display held at  
The Hub in Minchinhampton and reading most of the review on line.

I would firstly like to comment on how well the presentation has been  
done. A lot of thought and work has gone into constructing the plan, which I  
realise is subject to certain constraints.

With regard to the above development, I would like to make the  
following points:

- ① The site is outside the settlement boundary of Minchinhampton.
- ② Minchinhampton is not a sustainable location for development because of  
both lack of employment and poor public transport.
- ③ Additional 100+ homes would put a strain on the existing infrastructure  
of Minchinhampton - on its school, surgery, parking etc. Traffic and parking  
are already serious issues in Minchinhampton and there would be particular  
difficulty in accessing the site from Tobaccoist Road.
- ④ The loss of the only campsite in Minchinhampton is contrary to national  
planning policy to protect leisure and tourism facilities.

(5) The site is I believe in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Having considered the options for housing development, option 1 is probably our preferred one.

Yours faithfully

