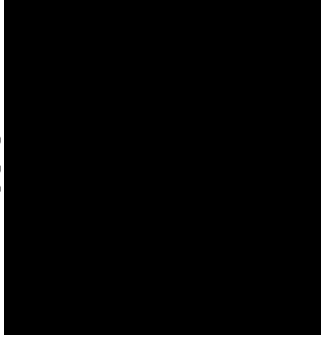
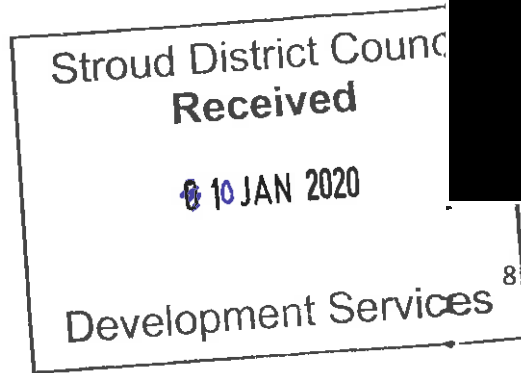


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Dear sir or madam,

**WISLOE DEVELOPMENTS**

I have lived in Slimbridge for just over a year now, having previously lived in [redacted] on a heavily built up housing estate for 30 years.

I have been quite surprised in the last year how heavy the traffic is in Slimbridge and only on Monday of this week did we have another car accident, not the first since I've lived there. When I compare the living experience of rural Slimbridge to Grays (the new estate I lived on had 800 houses) I'm quite surprised. Although Slimbridge is fraction of this size, the traffic volumes are much higher due to the wildfowl centre. As you will appreciate this brings caravans and coaches by the dozen all thru the year. We've also battled with water drainage and very poor power supply.

In Slimbridge we have a quiet lanes initiative, which to me makes a great deal of sense, seeing as a growing number of cycling clubs are seen coming into the village. Wilsoe and Sharpness development will only exacerbate the traffic volumes in and out of Slimbridge.

On a few occasions I have a need to use Cam and Dursley railway station, perhaps 3 or 4 times a year. This is a 2 mile walk for me which I can cope with, or if the weather bad then I can drive and use the railway carpark. I have noticed that at peak times the traffic at the junction of Box road and A4135 is already extremely heavy. This has been made all the worse by the growth in popularity of cycling. I can foresee safety being an increasing issue with Box Lane being so narrow. Those occasions when I've had to walk to the train station, I've definitely had to be on my toes. I encourage you to experience this yourselves at 8am on any working day. Come round to my house, I'll make you a cup of tea, then we'll walk it together.

You will appreciate that I have attended WAG meetings and objectively noticed that the age group is all senior citizens. Whilst I have a particular distaste for nimbies, I believe that we must provide low cost homes in well thought out ways, but I'm fearful of further development in the district on a few grounds; namely safety (as witnessed above) and infrastructure. In addition, it seems the recent development of the centre of Dursley has been unpopular and has had a chaotic impact to rush hour which will only be made worse by the Wisloe development.

**Please consider the safety aspect of this massive development, the loading it has on the existing roads and restrict the size of the development to one that is sensible and empathetic to the area.**

Yours sincerely

