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Dear Sir / Madam

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New Housing Consultation

I am appalled at the possibility that the Government may increase the number of houses Stroud District is required to provide annually from 638 houses to 786. I have no computer access but have been told these figures. I do not think that Sharpness is an appropriate area for large scale house building. It seems logical to me that the alternatives for major development should be nearer the big cities of Gloucester and Cheltenham i.e. at Whitminster and Moreton Valence. These areas are more sustainable, would be better for the environment as they are not as close to the River Severn and its important habitats, less flood risk and obviously nearer to transport links for getting to work. I used to live in Gloucester and believe that there is an area at Whaddon that is in the Stroud district and was a potential place for housing. I think this should also be considered as far more appropriate.

Sharpness has few facilities and suggesting it can be a sustainable development in part because it has a railway is far from a reality. Who knows if the rail link would actually happen? It is easy to put it on paper but we all know that getting railways in place can take years if at all.

I hope that my points of view will be put before the Inspector and be considered.

Yours sincerely

