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Although I do not live in the local area I have been moved to contact your department after hearing about the decision to build a large housing scheme on greenfield sites by a friend who lives in the Stroud area.

As a rural resident elsewhere in the UK I am all too familiar with the extremely negative effects this type of decision had on communities. Villages are disallowed up losing their historical identities, services disappear, traffic increases with subsequent pollution. Accidents increase and wildlife and flora never recover from the impact. Your local communities will find it hard to keep young people in situ as house prices soar.

I ask you to listen positively to the voices of your communities. They know better than anyone what makes them tick. It's not a matter of wanting no changes but rather that the same results of improved housing stock can be achieved by other means. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

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