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Dear Sirs

I would like to register that I disagree with the suggestion that 2,400 houses should be built in the Sharpness/Newtown/Berkeley area which could rise to 5,000. The infrasture in and around the area would need to be severely upgraded before any houses are constructed. The majority of houses would have, at least 1-2 vehicles so an extra 2,400 - 10,000 vehicles minimum.

The final stage of the by-pass has not been completed, the junction at Berkeley Heath is already difficult for lorries to get out of when they are turning right towards Bristol. The motorway junction at Falfield is already severely congested in the rush hour which in turn causes considerable traffic congestion on the A38. The local primary schools are already at capacity, we do not have a local secondary school since the Vale of Berkeley closed so local children are having to be bused to Rednock and KLB again these schools are at capacity so if no additional primary or secondary schools are built prior to the development starting where will the children go ?

Any developer will always say that "their development" will bring new employment to the area but has anybody actually done a employment survey of the local area as I believe that we have very low unemployment levels. Even if the potential new development does bring in additional employment which I severely doubt, the addition traffic which the proposed development will bring will actually have an impact on air quality. The local medical centre has been in utter chaos and now is run by a local management team the local community have difficulty obtaining Dr's appointments so how will the medical centre cope with additional patients ?

We have a situation where we do need extra houses but small developments, the PS35 land at Wanswell and PS34 seem to be an acceptable number of additional houses for the area, even the PS34 suggestion does not come without issues as the suggested route for traffic is Oldminster Road which is already congested with parked cars. The proposed development not sits firmly in a RAMSA and SSSI site but also in a blast zone due to Sharpness Dock Limited storing Sodium Nitrate ( fertilizer) on site. We need additional affordable houses at prices that local people can afford as the general salary paid in the area is low. My final point is I cannot understand why Stroud District Council agree to take some of Gloucester's housing allocation and what is wrong with "dispersal" of any development ?

Yours Faithfully

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