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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**To:** \_WEB\_Local Plan  
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Dear Stroud District Council

I am writing to you as a resident of the Slimbridge Parish to provide my feedback on the local plan.

I think that if it is required, housing should be dispersed across the Stroud District rather than in very concentrated areas which is not appropriate for the local communities. The emerging strategy documents seems to indicate there is a significant amount of land Whaddon near Gloucester which is a well located site, with services, infrastructure inc transport and employment. The proposed sites also appear to disproportionately be in the South of the district.

The proposal at Wisloe will essentially merge 5 discrete local communities; Slimbridge, Wisloe, Cambridge, Gossington and Cam which goes against local, national and Government planning policy.

The Stroud district has almost no grade higher grade agricultural land. The proposed development at Wisloe is a significant area of grade 2 agricultural land and planning policy states that no development should take place on land that is defined as grade 3b or lower.

The landscape at Wisloe will be impacted significantly as the area is in open, rural countryside very near to an area of outstanding natural beauty (AONB). Any development would be seen from every angle as the landscape is flat. There is no way to hide this.

The land proposed at Wisloe is in between the M5 and the A38 and the noise impact would be a massive issue to resolve given that on the south side the embankment for the motorway is significantly raised. In addition the pollution, especially the diesel particles from car and train emissions would be impossible to overcome without impacting residents / public health. The Falfield junction of the M5 is already over capacity and queuing traffic at peak and off peak times (I sit in the dangerous queues every day) leads to situations where the traffic cannot join or leave the motorway with cars and lorries passing at motorway speeds. Additional capacity would be even more dangerous.

In addition the Slimbridge Parish has been experienced extensive flooding. Introducing a massive development at Wisloe would not only leave the development at risk, but existing properties would be significantly impacted.

Please could you confirm receipt of my feedback.

Regards

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