

West Lothian Council
Development Management

19 OCT 2015

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Ref@ H-LV5 Proposed development at [REDACTED]

To whom it may concern.

Dear Sir /Madam

I write to lodge the strongest possible objection to any development to this area. Any building taking place here would have a detrimental effect to our own amenities.

Sunlight would be blocked, causing distress to the residents in [REDACTED]. We are all elderly, infirm and disabled, and many have impaired vision. To block out the sunlight by building flats would cause distress to the visually impaired. Our privacy would be completely invaded by having flats overlook our gardens.

One of the major concerns I have is that road safety issues that would arise from an increase in traffic, caused not only during the building period, but by the introduction of the new tenants vehicles.

Are the council not aware of how congested the roads round here already are? On a daily basis, cars line the main road, making access to the Health Centre and special needs school difficult. Personally, I do believe this area could cope with any increase in traffic at all.

I would also raise concerns about parking issues. Would the new flats have private parking areas? We have little parking bays by our bungalows which, we believe are for our use, many of us are blue badge holders and would object to having these spaces used by non-disabled people.

The council will be aware that there is a little car park to the side, but this fills up rapidly, with some of the spaces being used by Doctors and nurses from the Health Centre. Can you imagine what would happen if these spaces were taken up by builders new residents? To think that a Doctor might have to sprint several hundred yards to their car for an emergency call out is quite alarming.

Another major concern is the noise issue. Again, we are all elderly and disabled, and the impact of having a building site on our doorstep would have a detrimental effect on our health.

I also believe the loss of this land will have an impact on the environment. Small as the area is. It is the only real open space we have now; it has been use as a public right of way, and recreational area by the local area since day one, and I cannot see how the Council can just step in and take it away.

I would ask that the Council consider all the objections I have raised, and get back to me as soon as possible.

