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West Lothian Council
Local Development Plan

Dear Sir

We are writing to express my objection to the principle of any development of the land purchased as shown on the Pumpkin Properties website or elsewhere in the amenity land in [REDACTED]/Colt Hill area.

We would be most grateful if you could confirm that there are no outstanding requests or planning applications under consideration for future building, that are not included in the current version of the draft Local Plan.

Last year we were approached by [REDACTED], one of the current owners, to ask if we were interested in purchasing the land directly behind our house, for a substantial amount of money. As you can imagine this came as a complete shock as we were unaware that the land had been sold by Greenbelt. We were even more surprised that it had been sold at auction and at no time had been advertised. In fact, it all seems to have been done very secretly and in our opinion underhand.

We think you will find the Pumpkin Properties website very interesting it gives the impression that the 6 acres bought is available to develop for new housing. This is very concerning to us as part of this land is directly behind our house.

We are equally as concerned about the maintenance and preservation of the beautiful old trees that surround [REDACTED]/Colt Hill. When our estate was built, it was sold to the then buyers as a prestigious small development which included substantial high quality amenity land. If a new development was granted then this would no longer be the case.

At this stage we would also like to voice my concern about the lack of attention to the green areas around [REDACTED]. According to the paperwork we have, these should be tended to every two weeks during the growing season and as far as we are aware they have been cut once this year. Once by Greenbelt after much emailing by us and once by [REDACTED], when we threatened Greenbelt that we would contact our MP.

I hope you will take my comments on board and look forward to hearing from you for clarification.

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Craig and Norma Cameron