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Dear Sir / Madam

West Lothian Local Development Plan
Preston Farm Field - LNWITHGOW (H-LL12)

I am writing to appeal against West Lothian Council's proposed plans to change the above area of Great Landscape Value to an area designated for housing.

I have lived in this house for over 40 years and have always been led to believe that this area of prime agricultural land could never be built on and I am horrified to see the very advanced plans produced by CMA for over 60 large houses on this site.

West Lothian Council say they prefer to

build new houses in areas close to public transport links and as near as possible to town centre amenities. This site is as far away as it is possible to be in Linlithgow to fulfil these requirements. Anyone living there would by necessity nearly always have to drive to their destination. and the local roads (Preston Road / Nansie Road etc) are already extremely busy, especially at school pick-up / drop-off times. There is no way these roads could be improved / upgraded to accommodate the extra traffic.

The local primary school (Linlithgow Primary School) is already at capacity and could not cope with children from another 60 families.

Other areas for concern are the impact on the wildlife (badgers, various species of bats, birds etc), the close proximity to both the Grade A listed building Preston House and the Union Canal (Scheduled Monument) and finally the loss of what must be prime agricultural land.

For all of the above reasons I am hoping that West Lohanian Council will give serious reconsideration to their plans to change the designation of this area which is important to all of Dintindog and not only those of us living close by.

Yours faithfully