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Development Management

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Dear Sir,

I wish to object in the strongest of terms, to the proposed developments, namely West Main Street (East and West) Blackburn. (HBb11) (HBb10). (H-003 AND H-BB4)

Both the areas in question have short cuts (right of way) which have been in use by the residents of Blackburn for generations. I use the one (HBb11) on a weekly basis to visit family and friends who reside at Quoilers Court. I also (along with many others) use this right of way to access buses to travel East or West. These right of ways are part of our heritage and a vital link for those of us who do not drive.

These green areas are the only open spaces left in Blackburn, s main street and enhances an otherwise drab entrance to Blackburn. Beautiful in spring covered in daffodils and a haven for local residents and the elderly to sit on the street furniture and enjoy and rest. These are valuable resources for Blackburn Community.

If these developments go ahead, there will be a significant adverse effect on the landscape character and the inherited heritage (right of way). There are a number of mature trees at Quoilers Court (HBb11) that are home to a variety of bird life and also bats which I believe are a protected species.

The proposed development at East Main Street would seriously affect the visual amenity of the neighbours both in Quoilers Court and Riddochhill Crescent. Those who live here and those who reside in Riddochhill Drive have enjoyed the right of way, open green

spaces and the biodiversity available to them and expected to do so as long as they live.

All the houses in Qouters Court have stankards in their gardens, reason I believe is because of problems with the sewage system. Another development could seriously affect the stability of said system.

Traffic in these areas is heavy. (there are traffic lights outside entrance to Qouters Court). Again Qouters Court residents are disadvantaged either trying to exit or access their homes by car. More traffic from another development will only increase the problem. Public safety is at risk.

For all the reasons above I wish to register my objections to both developments.

Audrey Gordon (Mrs)

