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'Linlithgow, HLL - 12, Preston Farm Field'

Dear Sir,

I am writing to object about the proposed residential development of the above site in the new local plan. This is a change of use since this is valued green belt, a lung in considerable residential development of the south side of Linlithgow. It is also a site where there are numerous sets of badgers, where there are bats and a valued productive agricultural area. In the plan sixty houses are proposed. The access for these new houses is Dearburn Road, already a busy cul de sac. The road joins Preston Road which is already a busy road since there are two primary schools, a nursery facility, Donaldson's School situated on the road and there is access to Linlithgow Academy at the junction with Breachead. There are great traffic problems especially at 9.00 AM 12.15 - 12.30, 3.30 - 4.15 pm (frequently double parking) so new houses will exacerbate the problem especially with the likely car ownership of proposed houses on this site. Also Preston Road, Riceaston Road had become a

main through road for many town users wishing to avoid the High Street.

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There is great pressure on school places in primary schools and the academy. Frequently people who move into the town during the school year can only get places for their primary school children in St Joseph's R.C. Primary School. The academy just cannot take the children from the new houses proposed in Linlithgow in the Local Plan. If rezoning is planned by the Council there will be a lot of protest from parents from Springfield and the east side of the town.

Also the congestion in the High Street is great. Frequently it is gridlock and the air quality is poor. There is already great pressure on infrastructure, on medical facilities and on General Practitioners. One practice has already closed down due to lack of GPs.

For these reasons I am now objecting to the proposed residential development of the above site.

Yours sincerely,

