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Hi

We are very concerned about developing the infrastructure alongside the development of new housing. In particular the provision of car parking at the stations. At present, unless you are at Livingston North car park by 7.45 a.m. there is very little chance of getting a parking place. My husband has had to go to work half an hour earlier in order to get a place and now that I am retired I would like to visit Edinburgh during the day. However there is nowhere for me to park as there are even cars parking on the mini roundabout as well as the access road. This could prove a traffic hazard if a fire engine wanted to gain entry into the flats by the station. There is no room on any of the adjacent streets to the north part of the car park as these are full of cars as well. It is too far for me to walk from home and there is no regular bus service for me to use.

Friends have also stated that they have had problems parking at Linlithgow station when the car park is full, the Tesco long stay part has been full and they have ended up having to park in the back in the centre of the town.

At the moment new houses are being built in Eliburn by Barrett and there is land for sale for housing use by the Toll roundabout. The car park at Livingston North is exceeding capacity at the moment and this is before these houses have been built and any other future developments are considered in Livingston. Also the housing developments in Winchburgh will put pressure on an already full carpark in Linlithgow.

It is important that if you want people to use rail transport rather than cars that there is adequate car parking at all the rail stations in West Lothian and room should be left to enable extensions to rail car parks to support any future housing developments.

Regards

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