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**Subject: Objection to Planning Application at Clarendon Farm, Linlithgow.
Reference 0698/P/13**

Dear Sirs,

I wish to object strongly to the proposed development on existing open land in the areas around the South East of Linlithgow (areas marked as E01-0210, E01-0184, E01-0045 on the Main Issues Report Map 1).

I believe this to be detrimental to the town in general as well as to my own property in particular.

I don't believe the proposals follow the "enhance the environment" spirit. Nor does the new proposal differ greatly from previous proposals to develop on the same green field sites. I therefore hold that redevelopment of existing "brown land" are more appropriate.

My light (which has been available for over 20 years) and privacy would be lost with the proposed development, along with the noise from cars and houses replacing the current natural wildlife sounds.

There is also a concern that the replacement of green fields with asphalt and concrete will mean that water runoff will go downhill into Oatlands Park and affect my garden and the areas's drains.

As I understand from the many repairs done by Scottish Water the existing sewage system is under stress and so wouldn't be suitable to take the additional demands of over a hundred family homes. Any expansion would mean considerable work to upgrade the system and therefore inconvenience and impact on traffic.

The additional traffic from all the cars from the new builds will surely cause the traffic congestion in Linlithgow to become worse, and as the geography is limited by rail and loch, this will always be an issue.

Finally, I don't think that the impact on the local environment – the mature trees and the wildlife (some of which are protected species) – is sufficiently considered.

Yours faithfully,

