

Stroud District Council Ebley Mill Westward Road Stroud Gloucestershire GL5 4UB

20th January 2020

Dear Sirs

Re: New Houses Planned for Washwell Fields (PS41)

I am writing on behalf of my mother, who lives at the above address, to register OUR concerns regarding the Washwell Fields site (PS41).

1. Traffic

a. Where Lower Washwell Lane runs adjacent to the recreation ground, it is practically a single track lane: two cars cannot pass without using the private driveway entrances as passing points. This also raises concerns regarding pedestrians in this location as there is no footpath and the increased traffic flow will put pedestrians at an increased risk.

b. The sight lines where Lower Washwell Lane meets the A46 are poor and can prove difficult when negotiating this junction at busy times of the day. Increased traffic flow in and out of Lower Washwell Lane will cause additional congestion and difficulties at this junction.

2. Further items to consider should this site be selected:

a. Storm Water Attenuation – considering the high rain fall in recent months, what scheme will be put in place to mitigate the rainwater runoff from the site? Without a suitable solution, this could put properties and residents on lower ground at risk of flash flooding. As such, we trust that the council will insist on a flood risk assessment being carried out and that the appropriate bodies will be approached to review any proposals.

b. Incoming services such as gas, water, electric and foul drainage – does the existing infrastructure need upgrading? What are the proposed routes into the site and how will these works affect access in and out of Lower Washwell Lane?

We trust that the council will consider the above points when reviewing the proposed site.

Yours faithfully

