From:
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To: WEB Local Plan

Subject: Whaddon proposal by Taylor Wimpey

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I wish to register my opposition to any large scale developments in Whaddon, Brookthorpe or anywhere along the A4173.

The proposed Tuffley Farm 250 dwelling development within Gloucester City will be a traffic problem on Grange Road, Stroud Road and the 3 other main routes in Tuffley. There is a 9'9" arched single lane traffic light controlled railway bridge on Grange Road with no bus service and no dedicated cycle path.

Grange Road already has problems being used as a cut through and also Highways have recorded average speeds of 42mph on a 30mph road.

Stroud Road traffic on some days already backs up from St Barnabas roundabout into Whaddon.

There are no fully funded plans to improve St Barnabas. The s106 contribution of £102k will on its own achieve nothing; the GFirst £1m grant is in doubt with no imminent date.

Gloucestershire County Council submitted to the JCS that Cole Avenue, A38 and St Barnabas were 'unresolved issues' with no fully funded plans.

Suggestions are that meaningful traffic flow improvements at St Barnabas would require a great deal more money then £1m.

Grange Road already has traffic flow problems at the railway bridge and Stroud Road which will worsen with the extra 250 dwellings and another 14 at Stroud Road junction yet Taylor Wimpey want a road to join Grange Road!

The position of this connecting road is where the field is already regularly waterlogged and adjacent to the area of surface water run off onto Grange Road and into Whaddon Brook.

The adjacent areas to Daniels Brook and Whaddon Brook already have a history of flooding. The Brook at Bybrook Road has been neglected and over grown roots to shrubs will be a future problem

Stroud Road in Tuffley varies in width and would have insufficient space to incorporate a bus lane past St Peters School which has its own traffic problems at school start and finish times.

The suggested railway station at Kingsway or Huntsgrove is not being pursued by GCC now so why are Taylor Wimpey promoting?

Taylor Wimpey suggest restricting Naas Lane railway bridge to a bus service, cyclists and pedestrians, but what of all the commuters and business users of the lane? Like Grange Road the bridge has a low height arch!

This is an ill thought out and researched proposal by Taylor Wimpey perhaps the next time they 'google' they could be more thorough I trust Stroud District Council have more intelligence and understand the local area better than a developer with purely profit motives.

Thank you,