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Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing in support of the Stroud District Local Plan as shown in a draft document on the SDC website.

I would like to congratulate everyone who has worked on this document. It is well thought through and clearly presented. I applaud the imagination and ambition to develop our beautiful area with sustainable development at the heart of decision making. I believe it is this sort of joined up futures thinking that will give us the resilience we need moving forward.

I am particularly interested in the inclusion of an improved integrated transport system as an alternative to private car ownership. The area will benefit enormously from more provision for buses, trains, cycle tracks, secure cycle racks and better pedestrian pathways. In addition to this I would like to see better transport links to the major towns and cities closest to the Stroud District. Currently it is far easier to drive to Bristol for instance than attempt the train or bus.

Housing offers a huge opportunity for innovation and imagination. I would like to see housing developments moving away from boxy Cotswold pastiche styles to cutting edge, modern, well designed sustainable developments built using the latest energy technologies and beautiful long lasting materials. Other areas of the country have demonstrated successfully how beautiful modern developments can be. Here in the Stroud District we can join the pioneers in building beautiful sustainable housing.

Thanks to Stroud District Council for having the vision and bravery to produce this District Plan. It demonstrates hope and vision for the future.

Best Regards,