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I'm writing to state that I am totally against the draft local plan to meet future housing growth. I am a resident of Stroud district, and I am appalled at Stroud council for putting forward such a terrible plan, contrary to what the district residents have said we want – I.e. we all state we want new housing spread around existing populations, not all dumped on one area to be totally destroyed.

No-one, besides those with vested interests, is in favour of the proposals for large developments, in particular the new town on the edge of Cambridge, which is disingenuously being mis-labelled "Wisloe Green". While I can see the council's desire for the massive amounts of council tax in return for very little effort, that in no way justifies the total destruction of the current hamlet, countryside, ecosystems and infrastructure.

Cambridge **is** called a hamlet, in what is designated a **rural** area, and absolutely not appropriate for wholescale tarmacking and destruction for a new development, which would effectively consume Cambridge as part of Cam. The whole character of Cambridge would be changed irreparably, and against the wishes of all residents.

The whole infrastructure would not cope, roads and facilities are already overused, and to change the infrastructure and services to accommodate this new development would mean to change the entire district for it, ridiculous and unwanted.

Also, "Wisloe Green" would destroy the ecosystems of rare birds and mammals, in a rural area with the WWT on our doorstep, destroying the area is totally wrong as well as hugely embarrassing for the council. There are endangered birds and animals on that land, not to mention all the other birds and mammals that would be pushed even further to extinction should this abomination be allowed to happen. I note that the documentation for the proposed developments suggest that wildlife be relocated – this is either careless, or wilfully damaging. Relocation has never been shown to work, it is simply a political word for destruction.

Green fields should not be built on, there are plenty of brownfield sites and empty houses around. In fact, why is Stroud wanting to build SO many houses, there is no work in this area, and our population is not increasing. Who are these houses being built for?

