## HAM AND STONE PARISH COUNCIL

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## Ham and Stone Parish Council response to Stroud District Local Plan Review

The Parish Council are pleased to see that the development envelope increase at the Vale Orchard site at Stone is no longer on the plan for further development.

However, the Parish Council have concerns about the proposals as laid out in the local plan, as they do not reflect the needs and desires of the local residents.

The development at Sharpness, with so many new houses in a relatively rural area and the proposed further development at Wisloe, Slimbridge would put more pressure on the busy commuter traffic that exists on the A38 and will escalate the worsening congestion at M5 Junction 13 and 14.

The current proposals put even more burden across the Stroud District in small and rural communities, changing the landscape that make our Parish such an attractive place to live in.

Smaller scale developments and improvements in infrastructure are what local residents are interested in and this option is more suitable to allow local communities to remain sustainable for the future.

Regards

Clerk & RFO Ham & Stone Parish Council