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FAO

Dear Madam.

REFERENCE INCLUSION OF SITE PA1004 WASHWELL FIELDS IN STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT OF LAND AVAILABILITY

I wish to object to this site being included in the SALA for the building of houses.

My reasons for objecting are summarised as follows:

- 1. Pedestrian/child safety would be severely compromised as there are no pavements at the top end of the Lower Washwell Lane which is used by children making their way to school. There is a children's playground in the Recreation Ground which adjoins this part of the lane. Furthermore the field is used regularly for football matches, there are tennis courts and the Youth Pavilion all of which can create a high volume of parking in the narrow lane.
- 2. Access and road width access from the A46 is narrow and difficult with parked vehicles and Pullens Road almost opposite to cause confusion. The lane is narrow and for most of its length is single track with passing places.
- 3. The village amenities and parking are extremely limited. I find it impossible to see how Painswick can be categorised in the same grouping as Nailsworth, where there are many retail outlets including supermarkets, and presume this has a direct impact on the number of dwellings which are expected to be built.
- 4. Washwell Fields are clearly visible from Longridge and any development would have an adverse landscape impact. This factor is deemed important enough in relation to other potential sites to have caused them to be rejected. There seems to be a lack of consistency.
- 5. There would be an increase in traffic in the lane where there are small children.

I should be grateful if you would take the above factors, and many other technical issues of which I am probably unaware, into consideration and withdraw this site as a suitable location for housing development.

Yours sincerely

