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Dear Sir,

Proposed extension to the area for housing growth, south east of Blandford St Mary

I am writing with reference to the above.

I have lived in Blandford St. Mary for 40 years and have seen many changes over that time.

Blandford as a town, currently cannot cope with the volume of traffic now and often comes to a standstill - to allow this development can only worsen the current situation.

Also the infrastructure that we have in place just can't take any more housing - the hospital (as everyone knows is understaffed and creaking at the seams), the parking is non-existent and the doctors surgery is more like the M25, both for parking and an appointment system where it is currently about a 3 week waiting list. Obviously more schools would need to be built to cater for more residents.

There are many Health & Safety aspects with regard to this development - both the A354 to Dorchester and A350 to Poole are incredibly busy roads - to ask children & CAP's to have to cross & endure this is ridiculous - as a driver now I often have to wait up to 5 minutes to get out of Church Lane.

In a afraid somebody comes up with these ideas but they don't have to overcome all this day in day out.

Surely it would be more sense to build where areas can cope with the infrastructure I have detailed. In our case there are other more suitable sites within the bypass which can be used.

Just remember that once the housing is built things can't be put back. I am very strongly against this development and hope you realize what problems this will cause.

Yours faithfully,



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