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**From:** Trish Brown  
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**To:** DPD  
**Subject:** Local Plan Review

We object to the plans for expanding Silverton with various areas of new build as:

1. All the access roads to the village are relatively narrow and are at or above current capacity and would only get worse with an increase in housing. It only takes two large vehicles to meet and the roads can be blocked for ages, and this is compounded when lines of ordinary vehicles accumulate behind and gridlock develops. This is not an uncommon occurrence even now.
2. There are very few pavements in some of the areas proposed, and the lanes up to a mile or more out of the village are used by local residents for walking, cycling, dog exercise and child walking and an increase in traffic could have potentially serious safety consequences.
3. Livingshayes Road is narrow and the local residents use it for parking. Any developments in this area would cause great difficulties for traffic and residents alike.
4. The local school is close to, or past, capacity with negligible room for expansion.
5. The spirit and character of the village would be destroyed by excessive development.
6. The proposed development of the existing allotments ignores the enormous time and effort it takes to develop productive soils in this area. Merely providing a new substitute is inadequate, if such a thing has been considered. It also takes away hobbies, fresh air, exercise, organic produce, all of which should be encouraged not destroyed.
7. Very few additional properties could be successfully accommodated into Silverton without significant developments in infrastructure, and without destroying the village atmosphere.

Ms PM Brown  
Mr G C Jones

