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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to express my view as part of the option consultation process

First my overall concern relates to the number of houses. The infrastructure, particularly the poor narrow roads, is not set up for significant expansion of the village and I would wish to see a cap of 16 to 20 new houses. I do recognise that the lack of suitable housing means that many first time buyers are forced to leave the village and as a result we need more affordable housing. Looking at the existing structure of the village I feel a 30% allocation is not sufficient and would prefer to see 50%.

I support the Barnshill site as in effect this represents infill. Equally I support the Landboat Farm site as it would have minimum visual impact and seems a logical extension of the village.

I DO NOT support the allocation of Land adjoining the Primary School as this would have a detrimental visual impact and I don't believe this is necessary given more appropriate sites elsewhere. I can't agree that this is a logical extension of the development of the village and part of a process created by the erection of the Primary School. Green space within a village has real value and should be safeguarded. To many inhabitants it is the presence of fields and the space they provide which initially attracts them to village life. The need for a village school is an entirely different matter and its presence does not automatically "open" up adjoining land for residential building land.

I feel that the Glebe site is wholly inappropriate as a future development site. Not only do I feel that Drakes Meadow bordered by a floodplain forms a natural and sensible limit to the development boundary but also the Glebe land is possibly the most beautiful and unspoilt part of the village and requires preserving. I would support allocating the Glebe land as Community greenspace.

Yours faithfully

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