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How to Complete

1 Introduction

Section 1 provides a context for the Main Issues Report Do you have any comments in relation to this section?

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2 Settlement Strategy

Question 1 New Housing Sites

Do you agree with our preferred housing sites? Are there any other sites that would be suitable for housing?:

B09-42 - Milltimber South

I do not agree that this site should be included as a development site for the following reasons:

1. I do not agree with the Scottish Reporter unilaterally classifying this site as a potential development site; a move diametrically in opposition to the views of the majority of local residents and the City Council itself. I request that a move be made to return the site to Green Belt status.

This site is one of the few stretches of green space along the south side of North Deeside Road between Aberdeen City and Peterculter. Travelling west from Aberdeen City, this site provides a very welcome break from the developed areas. The views from and across the site are of a pleasant and historic valley.
Development on this site is unnecessary. There are many other brown-field sites and many other more suitable sites within the wider west-of-Aberdeen area where housing development may take place, specifically much-needed affordable housing. Peterculter, perhaps, is an area which could be developed further with more affordable housing. The area is already well-served by local shops, facilities and amenities.

4. Should this site be developed, a significant increase in traffic congestion will result.

There are already two separate sets of traffic lights very close together within the space of a few hundred metres from the site. At present, during peak times, should a bus be halted at the Tor-na-Dee bus stop heading east, queues of traffic cause blockages at the North Deeside Road/Binghill Road junction; a junction which will become even busier in the months and years ahead as the Oldfold Farm development progresses. A third set of traffic lights in this vicinity - the only sure and safe way to control entry to and egress from the site - would be ridiculous and create yet another bottleneck and congestion point along a short stretch of North Deeside Road.

5. Should the site be developed, it can be assumed that there would be a significant amount of school children living on the site given the developer's proposed housing allocation and profile. Any school children living on the site would have to cross North Deeside Road from the site in order to access Milltimber Primary School. This would necessitate some form of traffic control measure in any case which, as argued above, I consider impractical at this point.

Question 2 Housing Allowances Beyond 2032

Is there a need for us to identify further Housing Allowances or sites for the period beyond 2032?:

Question 3 Brownfield and other Opportunity Sites

Are there any further brownfield or other opportunity sites which would be suitable for redevelopment?:

Question 4 New Healthcare Facilities

Do you have any comments on these sites? Are there any other sites in these areas that we should be considering?: