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Subject: Ednam village boundaries

Planning Department

Ref: AEDNA013 Land North of Primary School.

With regard to the 2 areas proposed as possible building sites, and especially the above named, I would like to make the Council aware of my concerns, both personal and the village as a whole.

On a personal note I purchased my property. [REDACTED] because it was in beautiful open country i.e. with an open field at the back of my house and garden. The proposed site would completely spoil all this. As someone who has always paid Council Tax and every other tax or 'dues' I think that the views of people such as myself should be taken into consideration.

Perhaps, as important or perhaps more so, the village as a whole. There are these 2 proposed sites but also one that has already started to be developed, at the bottom of Poppleburn, that makes 3 in all. One of the main concerns of such an increase in the population of our community would be the problems with the sewage. You just have to look at the problems Stichill village are having, this has been ongoing since the population increase in that village. The road between Ednam and Stichill has been closed on several occasions as the sewage runs down the hill.

With a larger population comes more vehicles, on our 'country' road this would be a problem. There is already an issue with speeding. The suggested connected street network, has this been seriously looked into. We have a farm road at one end, with large farm machinery using this and a school at the other, safety issues for the school would be a major concern, with a corner from one angle and impaired vision from the other. The bridge over Eden Water is under enough strain as it is, without more traffic crossing it, and again because of the angle of the bridge and the fact that it is only wide enough for one way traffic it is a miracle that there has not been accidents.

I am aware that I can only give my opinion about the proposals, but I know that all the residents of Stichill Road are not happy, to say the least, with this proposal.

Please register my thoughts and concerns with regard to the village of Ednam being made larger.

Yours sincerely

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