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With reference to the proposal within the LDP 2021 identifying OP5, the field in front of Gardenston Street as you come into the town, for housing, I would like to object to this inclusion.

There are already considerable areas earmarked within the town boundaries and a development here would significantly change the appearance of the south side of the town which has been established for many years. I am concerned about the design of the houses not being in keeping with other houses in the area.

The Local Authority's Planning School Places Policy (PSPS) needs to be considered before further development is planned. Mearns Academy in Laurencekirk, which only opened in 2014, is forecast to be 3% over capacity by 2022. The primary school is forecasted to be at 108% capacity in 2023 with the current planned developments. Significant investment in the local school provision would have to be considered if further building development is to be considered.

I am concerned about the effect on nature and wildlife and particularly the bat population. I have bats in my garden every evening and they feed in that field. There is a waterway at the bottom of the field which supports significant wildlife and plant species.

I am concerned about being overlooked and loss of privacy depending on the proximity of the houses to mine and loss of sunlight for my solar panels.

Thank you for your consideration.

Anita and Peter Connell.

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