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To: [LDP](#)
Subject: Fwd: Local Development Plan 2021 - Proposal for Development at Site OP3 Belhelvie - Concerns
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to raise my concerns about the proposed Development in Belhelvie. I have a number of objection points relating to the infrastructure and amenities that will be required and need to be considered with the new development of proposed 104 houses in the area.

1. School and Amenities

- a. I don't believe that the school in Balmedie is ready to take in new children who will live in 104 new houses as it is already overcrowded and with new proposed development in Blackdog, Potterton and Balmedie there is no way the school will be able to cope. Additionally, there are limited options for Nursery or childminders in the area where waiting times for space are 1 year, so again it will be a struggle for current and new parents.
- b. The bus stop area for the drop off kids from a school bus is very small 1,5 meters by 3m max and not sure how many children will be able to get off at the time, so it is safe for them to cross the street.
- c. Parents, who drop children off, park on Carintack Road (next to the forest). It currently creates congestion and concerns in the future over safety when more cars are parked there - parents and children getting off the cars and other residents driving to work.
- d. There is no shop or GP surgery in the area. The closest GPs are in Bridge of Don, but they already struggle with a number of patients there. Adding new ones from those new developments will put everybody in a more difficult position to get an appointment when needed.

2. Leisure

- a. No footpath to Potterton or Balmedie and you can see people walking, jogging or riding a bike on the road. This has become more obvious and visible with Lockdown when people had no option to walk anywhere other than up and down the village pavement or on the road. More residents in the area means more people walking on the roads creating a dangerous situation for themselves and vehicles on the road.
- b. The playground is a good size, but it gets waterlogged after the rain that makes it unusable at times. In summer, when the grass is not cut on time, it is impossible to get there with a pram or a buggy when my older one wants to play.

3. Roads

- a. In winter it is very dangerous on Cairntack Road as no gritter comes here and the road is pure ice, this issue would have to be addressed as with additional cars (maybe even 200) the collision will be a matter of time.

4. Other

I am not sure if the developer and new residents are aware of the nearby quarry that is using explosives from time to time to detonate the rocks. The explosion can be felt and the whole house is shaking. Seems like the existing houses' structures are taking those small earthquakes ok, but not sure if new residents' houses handle that and new residents welcome that either.

Kind Regards,
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