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I am writing to you as a long-term resident of the beautiful, peaceful green, safe village of Potterton.

I am really concerned and shocked at the prospect and am strongly opposed to the plans to ultimately double the size of the village for many reasons which I will list.

- using Green Belt area, including Reserved site, when there is ample Brown land available
- losing our green space, to the detriment of our wild life and environment. The Ancient Woodland is home to important biodiversity and is being put at risk of preservation.
- the character and identity of the village will be lost by such an increase in size of population and properties and traffic, we will lose the community spirit
- the C class roads can't cope with the increase of traffic, it's bad enough as it is without adding another possible 400 vehicles to the road. Are they in good enough condition to support the extra traffic?
- the area is pitifully served by public transport; this would need to be accounted for
- there would not be enough amenities for the 60% extra population, so then that would invite retailers for more expansion
- the local schools could not take in the added amount of pupils
- the disruption would go on for years seriously effecting the health and wellbeing of the villagers - the disruption from construction, air pollution, excessive traffic and noise, and an increased risk to road users in the long term.
- loss of privacy, many houses will be overlooked and that is a big reason for people living in rural areas so as not to live in built-up areas!
- The Road Traffic Report is inadequate, did they even come out here?
- I am concerned about the increase in population and resulting increase of visitors and deliveries etc would inherently result in an increase in crime.

The proposal to expand the village so drastically, in the next five years, is really disappointing and I question why. There are so many alternative sites which would not mean the destruction of our village and environment [REDACTED], when there are already thousands of empty houses and flats in Grampian. With the downturn in the economic climate there is not an "established need" to justify this amount of disruption and destruction to our peaceful beautiful village and community.

Come out and see our lovely village and see what kind of damage would be done if such a proposal was permitted to go forward.

I really hope you will not allow this proposal to go through. Thank you in advance.

Kind regards  
Donna Benton  
Potterton Resident

