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Dear Sir / Madam

I wish to make the following representation to the Proposed Local Development Plan for Blackburn, Aberdeenshire.

With reference to R1:-

The reclassification of the open space area, marked as R1, for “allotments/community growth space” would lead to an increased traffic flow in a residential area. Currently, area R1, can only be accessed to bring materials and equipment to the site along Averon Park. This street is already congested from vehicles belonging to local residents.

The site, area R1, has a poor loam and is water logged throughout the winter months. It has been reported a number of times to Aberdeenshire Council that the water run off down the path, that runs through the site, causes a hazard when it freezes on street Den View.

Area R1 will require substantial earthworks to improve drainage. Extensive materials will be required to be brought to the site to make it a viable proposition for an allotment development.

Currently this area is used extensively by the local dog walking community. This area is the only open space in Blackburn where dog walkers can freely exercise their dogs with little conflict with playing children. All other open spaces in Blackburn have provision for children play areas and or children playing apparatus.

This site would not lend itself to being sustainable for the reasons listed above.

With reference to OP1/P8:-

Currently site OP1/P8 is agricultural land. Provision for “Allotment /community growth Space” should be incorporated into those development areas which would be sustainable and should be designed to pose no conflict with residents of Blackburn.

Yours sincerely

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