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Subject : Proposed Findon Housing Development

I am writing to oppose the above referenced proposed development in Findon.

This small rural historic village is accessed from all directions by small narrow windy roads, passing places in some areas and no pavements. Winter conditions can be treacherous without any gritting occurring making road safety even more dangerous. No street lightening and no bus route.

Already traffic drive too fast and do not comprehend the dangers with some blind corners. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] operate a business within the village, impacting a vast amount of extra vehicles, many at high speed getting to/from work in time, also huge artic lorries, lost delivery vans racing around the village (often causing damage to garden walls), trucks, longer vehicles with lifeboat launches, all trying to navigate already difficult bends with poor visibility. This has been an ongoing concern for residents and often worrying how little thought is given to safety of others. The blind corner junction to [REDACTED] has created problems for some time with traffic failing to stop and give way, this is a dangerous area!

Old Inn Road cannot cope with any more development nor any further vehicles. Weekend visitors park their cars either top or bottom to access the moor for outdoor activities. Already vehicles drive too fast on this road, I have witnessed a small boy knocked off his bicycle. There is a steep hill causing difficulty and danger during winter.

Cycling has been encouraged but due to road width, this again does not feel safe and causes concern. Joggers, dog walkers and many nature enthusiasts frequent these roads too.

Findon residents are happy not to have street lightening, wishing to enjoy the starry peaceful night skies.

Clearly this development proposal would not benefit the look of a historic village, other coastal villages have already been spoilt with over-development. Two other developments have already been granted within the village, 1. New bungalows behind Findon Farm and 2. Ceol-Na-Mara where a further number of homes is planned and yet to be built.

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The land in question for this proposal has been used for cattle and horse grazing also silage.

People already living in Findon have chosen this rural setting to escape large housing developments, and enjoy the peaceful tranquil setting, wide open spaces with night skies are all a pleasure.

It would be extremely unwelcome to see any kind of future development.

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