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Subject: Objection to local planning sites in Potterton (OP1 and OP2)
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To whom it may concern,

I wish to formally document my objection to any further housing development surrounding Potterton (Aberdeenshire) as the current roads are not suitable for an increased volume of traffic.

The roads around Potterton are not suitable for additional traffic, as a result of any development (Including construction traffic), the additional vehicles generated by the new houses or any additional volume of buses to the route through the village or towards the AWPR. The roads including the various pinch points at Milton of Potterton are constraint which cannot be overcome to accommodate a bus & another vehicle passing in opposite direction at the same time?

Barrett Homes leaflet (July 2020) claims “the proposed development will deliver road improvements which will benefit the whole village. A new road built to modern standards & will provide a new connection between Den Road & Manse Road, providing easy access to & from the AWPR”. In my view, the creation of a ‘Rat Run’ cannot remove the constraint that the existing roads have & I also cannot see where all roads in question can be suitably widened as there’s existing properties along these routes?

I have been a resident in the village of Potterton since 1992 and have already seen many changes to the surrounding areas, such as landfill sites, the AWPR and further residential development. I am not against development in an appropriate area but cannot see how this would be achievable when the planned access to this new development will be coming off of ungraded roads which is their current state / layout have been dangerous & on various occasions over the years, myself & family have witnessed many ‘near misses’ & more so in recent years during the AWPR construction with an increased volume of larger vehicles being notable.

In addition to my above concern, I feel very disappointed on this proposal for additional houses in Potterton, as it would appear that this has been actioned over a period without any effort or to keep the local residents informed or indeed consulted for their views / opinions.

listed below are some examples of this:

- Was there a public meeting or drop-in session arranged to advise residents of the major changes being considered – NO?
- Has every discussion been minuted to explain how this decision was reached, in the interest of the residents – NO?
- The Proposed Development Plan has decided to remove land in Potterton from ‘Green Belt’ status, has the residents been consulted on this – NO?

- Has any of the above been mentioned in the only local leaflet that residents have access to (Belhelvie Banter), with an aim of keeping them informed & up to date of the situation– NO?

If you require me to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

Paul Mair

