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Subject: Housing development in Newburgh Ref LDP2021 NN areas OP2 & 3
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To whom it may concern,

Although you have requested responses by 17th July due to distant lockdown / isolation requirements this is the first opportunity I have had to respond, and I trust you will receive these comments accordingly.

The following comments refer to the Local Development Plan

1. The first comment refers to the first paragraph under the heading Newburgh “...transforming the area into a high quality lifestyle, leisure and global business location.” The beauty of Newburgh is that it is precisely not these things and to alter the very essence and natural character of the village to this misguided ‘vision’ is a negative and damaging aspiration for the planning authorities to hold. Further, to believe that the existing services within the village will not be sustained without this unnecessary development is false.
2. The second comment refers to the 2nd paragraph under the heading NEWBURGH “The community are in favour of any new development being located to the West of the settlement.....etc.” How have the planners concluded this, as there has been no enquiry posed to the residents to my knowledge. To make this statement without any kind of mandate questions the legitimacy of the proposal.
3. Further to item 2 there are no such aspirations for a by-pass as suggested, and the proposal is nothing more than an illogical waste of money given that the proposal will merely direct an increased traffic flow past the Primary school, increasing the danger thereby.

The following comments are general in nature.

1. Consideration should be given to existing residents of Newburgh who have been subjected to the negative aspects of other recent development work (eg noise, dirt and dust) who do not wish to live adjacent to a building site for the next ‘x’ number of years.
2. Recent published plans by one development contractor have included such features as ‘Viewing Points’ at elevated points potentially encroaching on the privacy of existing Newburgh residents; should any type of development actually be approved such elements should not be allowed. Similarly where proposed property on elevated ground lies next to existing properties these should be low level structures (bungalows).

Regards

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