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I am not responding on behalf of another person.

## The following points are regarding the proposed developments in Potterton.

Roads surrounding Potterton are narrow C class roads, with many blind corners, crests and single lane sections. It is already complicated and dangerous to get past any HGV's or farming equipment as they often have to straddle middle of the road to get past. If the additional development is carried out the traffic will significantly increase with HGV's and new resident vehicles. This would make the road more dangerous for local residents walking, running or cycling on these roads.

As there are buildings on the pinch point junctions it is not possible to widen the road to accommodate for this additional traffic.

Also, the close proximity of AWPR would go against its function of being a transport corridor and making it a development corridor instead.

The proposed developments are both to be carried out on Greenbelt land, reallocating Greenbelt land into land used for development. This is completely unacceptable, our Greenbelt land should be protected, there are other sites that could be developed instead. What is the point of designating Greenbelt land when the designation will not be upheld?

The Aberdeen City and Shire Strategic Development Plan sets out the housing requirement for each Housing Market Area. The requirement is a minimum 5 years supply of housing land is required. The 2019 Housing Land Audit demonstrates that for 2019-2023 there is 7.2 years supply of housing land available which is more than enough. Considering the recent pandemic that is still affecting the economy and the decline of the number of houses being sold, there is no need for additional housing.

## **Modifications to LDP**

There are some modifications that I would like to see made in the LPD:

- In the LDP under 'Vision' for Potterton, remove the desire for a new community hall and the identified preference for small business units near to the existing business land. There has been little to no discussion with the residents of Potterton for their views and wishes for the village.
- Comparing the last LDP (2017) and the current LDP the wording has been changed in the Settlement Features section. In in the previous LDP the Greenbelt is 'protecting our amenity' and the Settlement Features are to 'conserve our amenity' whereas the new LDP states that Greenbelt is only 'contributing to preserving our amenity' and the Settlement Features are 'protecting our amenity'. This change in wording is downgrading the importance of the Aberdeen Greenbelt, it is diluting the vision for Potterton being a rural village surrounded by Greenbelt allocation to a village with some green space within it.

I hope you take my views into consideration,

Regards, Judita Katinaite