

Gladman Developments,  
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Livingston,  
West Lothian, EH546 GR

To whom it may concern

Further to Gladman Developments proposals to build a substantial residential development on the Campsie Road, Strathblane, I would like to note my objection for the following reasons:

- **We have agreed a Local Development Plan that has considered and rejected the proposed site already.** Both our community council and Stirling Planning Authority have spent considerable time consulting with our local community through a meaningful process over the past few years resulting in the current agreed Local Development Plan. I believe that the current Local Development Plan has taken consideration of the local needs, local communities comments and has evaluated the housing needs and options and has explicitly rejected the site proposed by Gladman.
- **Space in the cemetery is running out and we need action now.** There is a very limited number of plots left in the existing cemetery due to the Cala development being built on the area originally allocated. Further to robust discussion by the local community, during the consultation process for the Cala Development, it was agreed that the new cemetery would be adjacent to the Cala Development to close the envelope of the village. This Gladman proposal would stop the cemetery being developed in the agreed location and would cause further delay, which is unacceptable.
- **The agreed Local Development Plan identifies other plots for building and protects the “Green Belt”.** Within the proposed Local Development Plan there have been areas identified for housing developments within Strathblane to meet the needs of the community and protect the Green Belt. The area being proposed is not one of them.
- **The Gladman proposals would push local services beyond capacity and therefore would need significant further investment from the Council.** I believe this proposal would impact on the village services negatively resulting in a 10% increase in population; our local schooling, both within Stathblane and Balfron, which are both at capacity; our roads system and our waste water sewage which is also close to capacity.
- **Such a drastic change from the agreed Local Development Plan so soon after it has been agreed would puncture the credibility of Stirling Planning Authority.** I also believe there has been a full and meaningful consultation process already completed by Stirling Planning Authority. This has been fed into the proposed Local Development Plan. I feel that this proposal makes a mockery of what the community have fed back and will damage the Authority’s credibility with the local community.

Yours faithfully

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