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Subject: Proposed Car Park at P5

Dear Co-ordinator

My neighbour has only just alerted me to the P5 - Proposed Car Park.

Whilst I wrote earlier that we agree with the existing plan apart from objecting to the 11th hour proposal to develop greenfields between the school and B4696,

I do not support the provision of another car park at P5 because of the following:-

1. If a Community Hub is eventually provided car park P1 should be used instead.
2. Parents will continue to drive down Gosditch to drop off children as there is nothing to stop them.
3. The proposed car park P5 exit onto the B4696 is extremely dangerous and the Wiltshire Highways planners have thrown it out on many occasions in the past. It will be difficult to negotiate at peak school start and finishing times combined with the possibility of cars queuing to enter and leave on this well-known 'rat-run' between the M4 and A419 and Swindon and Cirencester 'back-road'. This was detailed extensively in my last letter on the other 11th hour planned exit.
4. Detrimental outlook onto blind bends in both directions plus the noise for adjacent residents.
5. Increased security risk for adjacent residents who would have to erect tall barriers spoiling the rural Cotswold idyll it is presently.
6. It was noted in the 1998 Village Plan that this B4696 area 'is a rather poor entrance to the village from this end' (Page 28). What would complete this view would be to see an overhead gantry to deter lorries and vans stopping because a high voltage electricity line runs diagonally across it overhead whilst directly underneath runs a large fresh water conduit runs between the houses immediately to the south of it (Nos 18 Gosditch, aka Brookside and 20(?) Gosditch aka Willows) taking the critical main artesian water from the Thames Water Works south to Swindon.

This area frequently floods in winter due to the proximity of excess water unable to drain away.

Gordon Cleverly wanted to build on this site but was turned down 35 years ago for the same reasons stated above especially the dangerous exit. Since then traffic has multiplied several fold and is often used when A419 or main roads are diverted.

Thank you for your consideration on all these matters.

I have found it impossible yet again to put this on the web-site as it has been not responding this evening (Tuesday, just the same as Sunday evening).

Thank you
Bill Corry