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**To:** Programme Officer

**Colin Waterhouse - additional hearing: Objection**

Hi

I strongly object to the Council's proposal to build additional houses in Thornbury to the East of Morton Way (Additional Housing Sites referred to by the Inspector) as follows;

- People here and all across the district have worked with South Glos to develop the Core Strategy, which includes a huge number of new houses in carefully selected locations. Surely suddenly adding another 300 houses, where they are not wanted, brings the approach into disrepute and will reduce confidence in all those involved.
- In my opinion building houses in this location will not rejuvenate the town centre as they will be too far away. Once in a car people are far more likely to use the ready access to the larger facilities at Bradley Stoke and Cribbs Causeway.
- The character of a market town like Thornbury would be threatened by having too much sudden development.
- Morton Way should be retained as the boundary to housing development that side of town.
- A Morton Way site would destroy green fields and risk development sprawling out of control.
- Infrastructure like roads, car parks and various public facilities would be overloaded.
- It will be difficult to integrate more new residents into the community on top of those already agreed.

Regards Colin