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Dear Madam

Proposed Housing Development at Morton Way, Thornbury

Please note that I strongly oppose the above proposed development.

It will be on record that there is already considerable opposition to the plans to build 500 houses at Park Farm Thornbury and that the size and location of this development was finally agreed after considerable debate. Those opposing this development expressed real concern that the character of the town would be compromised by such a large development.

In proposing to put 300 more houses in Thornbury, these concerns over the Park Farm development, which are equally valid for the Morton Way development, have again been ignored. Thornbury simply does not have the capacity to take on more development, particularly so soon after the demands that will be placed on the infrastructure of the town on completion of the new Park Farm estate.

Neither development even considers the further impact that will arise as and when the new power plant is under construction at Oldbury. Not to do so now, constitutes bad planning.

Thornbury town centre is about to lose a considerable number of parking places. The new development will need more not less such places. This will result in a noticeable flow of traffic through and around the town as people drive around trying to find a space to park. Such frustration may well be the tipping point for avoiding Thornbury town centre and shopping elsewhere, contrary to the views expressed in support of these proposed developments...

Please look at the whole picture and not the simple demand for more housing.

Yours sincerely



R F Hayhurst