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Hello.

I have been contacted by concerned local residents about the contents of the Draft Local Plan and it's impact on Painswick.

I can see from this draft proposal that there is a provision to provide an additional 20 properties on a site at Washwell Farm (PS41). I am assuming that this proposal contains a significant proportion of affordable housing, rather than executive properties of which the village has more than enough.

However my question is over access. I note that your Draft Plan makes no mention of how vehicle access to the site/new properties will be achieved. Fellow residents are advising me that you intend access to be from the corner of the field that just touches Lower Washwell Lane. I cannot believe this to be the case as any such proposal would indicate that no true research had been done by council officers into the current traffic constraints of Lower Washwell Lane. The lane is incredibly narrow over its entire length particularly as it continues into Vicarage Street, with pinch points, making emergency vehicle access difficult. At the village end of Vicarage Street, the woeful thought given to the one way system round Friday Street means that the road is totally blocked whenever the local businesses receive a delivery (which of course they must to survive). The access to the A46 from Lower Washwell is a blind junction compounded with the Pullens Road entrance opposite creating an existing hazard that will be compounded with additional traffic.

Please can you confirm that you are not proposing this ridiculous access route to the site and if the site is to be developed then an alternative route to the A46 will be constructed through Washwell Farm.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

