From: To:

Subject: Objection to the Allocation of 138 Properties on Pincents Hill

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Dear Sir/Madam.

I am writing to formally object to the proposed allocation of 138 properties on Pincents Hill, as part of the current public consultation. I firmly believe that Pincents Hill is not an acceptable site for development.

Firstly, the land surrounding Pincents Hill is a well-used and well-loved green space, valued by the local community. It provides vital open space for residents and contributes to the character and natural beauty of the area. The proposal to build on this land would harm its quality, effectively erasing a cherished part of the local landscape.

Secondly, the infrastructure in the area, particularly the road access, is woefully inadequate to support the scale of development proposed. The narrow, winding roads around Pincents Hill are already heavily congested at peak times, and the addition of 138 properties would only exacerbate traffic problems, leading to increased pollution, road safety concerns, and a diminished quality of life for existing residents. During school drop off times, the traffic around City road is already at a standstill. It is naive to think that the development would not make this even worse.

The area is also an important green buffer and provides a valuable transition between the more urban areas of Tilehurst and the surrounding countryside. Allowing development here would further erode the local environment and the sense of openness that is vital to the community's well-being.

Finally, I am opposed to any proposal to extend the Tilehurst settlement boundary. The proposed extension would lead to further urban sprawl, detracting from the rural character of the surrounding area and encouraging development in locations that are already under pressure in terms of infrastructure, transport, and community services.

I have grown up in this area and now recently bought a house with my partner My family, partner and I enjoy walking down the hill, with the dogs, looking out across the beautiful views, as do other residents. I urge you to please reconsider this proposal and protect Pincents Hill from further development.

Thank you for considering my objections.

Yours faithfully, Florence Hallett

