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Good afternoon,

Please accept this email as my objection to the Draft Dudley Local Plan. My apologies but I did not find the portal and comments form along with the interactive plan at all user friendly.

I object to the building of 600 plus new houses on the Ketley Quarry site for the following reasons. Dudley Council should prioritise putting sufficient infrastructure in place for the existing residents before cramming more households in the area placing massive strain on roads, schools and healthcare providers.

The road network is always congested, continual roadworks do not resolve the failing road infrastructure. Years of under investment and increased traffic on the roads have led to a miserable experience for all road users in the area. You say the borough has an extensive transport infrastructure, para 2.31, but this is not enough for the households now, without adding more vehicles to the network from the proposed new housing estates. You refer to the train links from Stourbridge to Birmingham. Getting to Stourbridge station from Kingswinford is stressful at best. Choices are to sit in a car in traffic congestion for over an hour to get to the station, or catch a bus, 2 an hour if they turn up.

Probably not relevant but the train service is a joke. Yes, the metro will be a welcome addition to the transport infrastructure when complete, however this has been pushed back numerous times. The metro from Wolverhampton to Birmingham is fine and quick when operating and could be successful.

You need to get the issues with the roads resolved before even considering putting more households into the area.

Regards,

