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Dear Sir/Madam, I am writing with my very strong concerns about the over- development that has taken place and is intended to take place in Aireborough resulting in the loss of greenspace/greenbelt and it's affect on the population and environment.

I can give many occasions where I have visited the Westside Retail Park and Guiseley Retail Park (which are both situated off the main A65 road) and have been stuck in the car park queueing to exit and merge onto the road.

On the 19<sup>th</sup> of July for instance I could not exit the car park from the Westside Retail Park for well over 2 hours because of the volume of traffic on the A65 blocking cars wishing to vacate from the car park. The car park was gridlocked, as even though there are traffic lights as you come onto the A65 the volume of traffic on the main road did not allow for the cars to come through the lights quick enough even when on green.

This situation also happened in December 2014 when we were stuck in the car at the same retail park with small children for a couple of hours also.

This situation also occurs very frequently at the Guiseley Retail Park where you have to allow extra time to vacate the car park because of the backlog if you are running to a time schedule.

I would like to bring to your attention also the problem of vacating the car park from Morrisons supermarket on Park Road where especially at peak times the A65 and Park Road are so congested that it is again a problem.

The common cause with these problems is the overdevelopment in the area which has a major impact on the environment with regards to transport and the road and rail facilities in the area.

I am aware that there are plans to develop the Coach Road allotment site on Coach Road in Guiseley alongside other areas highlighted for development.

This will exacerbate the transport problem and in the case of the allotments decimate one of the last green/natural spaces in Guiseley, affect the flora and fauna of the area.

All this planned development has an effect on the physical and mental wellbeing of the population and I would urge you to re-consider your planned development proposals in the light of massively strong local opposition.

Yours faithfully,

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