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I wish to submit my strong objections to two of the proposed planning sites in Silverton offered up for consideration in the Local Plan.

Site 1. Land at Old Butterleigh Road. This is outside the natural boundary of the village and adjoins the conservation area. A modern estate on this steep land will dominate the old village and stand out rather than blend in.

The land is fertile and the allotments are a very important amenity. There is always a waiting list for an allotment.

To destroy the ancient hedgerows in order to widen the narrow lane which leads to Butterleigh would be a travesty. There would be a negative impact upon local flora and fauna.

Old Butterleigh Road is popular with Horse riders and dog walkers, in many places it is too narrow for vehicles to pass. New houses will generate considerably more traffic and residents of High Street and Fore Street who already suffer from fast cars mounting pavements to pass each other will have more danger to contend with.

Site 2 The Glebe

Again this site is outside the existing boundary of the village. Furthermore it is in our conservation area and close to the beautiful and historic St. Mary's Church and The Bury. A new estate here is wholly inappropriate. Presumably these houses will be aimed at young families and how likely are they to enjoy loud church bells on Sunday mornings and Thursday evenings? It is in an area which people enjoy for its beauty and tranquility (when the bells aren't ringing). A development upon this site will change the whole character of this amenity and its narrow roads and adjoining lanes are unsuitable for more traffic.

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