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Dear Sir / Madam,

We are writing to voice our concerns over the proposed development of site W130, north of 17 Main Street, Warton.

Apart from the fact that this plan was added after the others for the village, and will take it over the number of houses required — there are still properties for sale here that have been on the market for some time — it hasn't been stated if the 5-16 (?) dwellings will be low cost (if not, they do not conform to the AONB housing needs survey) or single storey buildings (if not, will there be some sort of screening at the site?)

How would the impact on the landscape be mitigated exactly? — The loss of views we paid a premium for on moving here is the least of it — Once agricultural, green belt is gone, it is lost forever, and sets a precedent for "creep", or the stretching out of settlements to link them up.

The planned line of houses also extends beyond the line of existing ones, and is very close to the

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boundary of AONB limits.

The topography of the site, on a fairly steep hill, is a concern because in an area already prone to flooding and drainage problems, the reduction of soak away land would be likely to exasperate the situation.

Another major issue with this proposed site is that of access. Extreme care will be required to join the highway safely, in an already dangerous and narrow spot, and increase traffic considerably.

Finally, there is the matter of a building of significant historical interest to the area that is in front of the plot, that needs to be protected - if not listed - for future generations to enjoy.

Therefore, for the reasons above, we are against this particular proposed development.

Yours faithfully,

S. O'Carroll (Mrs)

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