



Gullane Area Community Council
Serving the communities of Gullane, Aberlady,
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Dear Sirs

Erection of 16 houses and associated works 

Land At Saltcoats Field Gullane East Lothian
Ref. No: 24/01054/P

The Gullane Area Community Council submits the following response to the above application for planning permission. The subjects lie wholly within our community council area.

We have a number of concerns about this application, with strong input from our communities.

Firstly, there is insufficient capacity in the Gullane Waste Water (GWW) system to support further development. Scottish Water have confirmed directly to the Community Council that the GWW is over capacity. The Gullane area communities' strong feedback is that issues relating to waste water treatment capacity need to be resolved before any new housing development sites could be put forward for consideration.

Secondly, further housing development is contrary to the recent Gullane Community Local Place Plan feedback. Residents there are concerned about maintaining the village boundary and oppose any new large scale housing developments. A related concern is the lack of employment options within the village and how this is increasingly leading to more working people having to rely on transport in commuting to work and increasing pressure on transport infrastructure with the associated negative climate change implications and a carbon negative outcome which is contrary to National Planning Policy.

We also highlight that given the proximity of the existing woodland, housing would miss the opportunity to extend the woodlands, losing an opportunity to contribute positively towards East Lothian's response to the climate and nature crisis.

Were you to decide to go against Gullane community wishes and approve the development we ask that you impose stringent conditions as prerequisites; including sewerage and a direct and fully lit pedestrian and cycle access from all parts of Saltcoats right to the school.

We ask that you refuse the application.

Yours faithfully