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Subject: objection to amended plan for 171532

I strongly object to the amended transport proposals for the North Viaduct Development (No 171532). The number of houses will have a significant negative effect on the environment and will result in a major increase in traffic. In my opinion it does not make sense to only have one access point to a development of this size, even with a separate access for emergency vehicles. The proposed access for emergency vehicles joins the B4215 Bromyard Road close to the normal access point and is, therefore, likely to be affected by an emergency on the site.

The train service to Birmingham and Hereford is already congested. It is difficult to park in the station car park after 8:00am. I have recently used the trains at different times of the day and the carriages have always been full at Birmingham. The current train service does not have the capacity for increased numbers of passengers, including those walking to the station. Especially with the other housing developments in Ledbury the current public transport cannot cope with more passengers, so people will tend to use their cars.

The Bromyard Road is already congested at times with significant tail-backs from the junction at the railway bridge. The increase in traffic on local roads e.g. through Wellington Heath earlier in 2019 as a result of various road closures, showed how unsuitable the local roads are for increased traffic. Many drivers were obviously not used to driving on single track narrow roads with few passing places and there were many 'near misses'. Large industrial vehicles using the local roads caused major problems.

Therefore I object to the single access point onto the Bromyard Road, especially for the number of houses and industrial buildings proposed.

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