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I would like to comment on a number of proposals made in the Deposit Plan for the RDLP.

1. Conservation / Green Wedge - Land between Llantwit Major and Llanmaes [Site ID 436 Proposal Number DNP6(6)]

I would like to endorse this proposal: it ensures that the Llanmaes Conservation Area is protected. It prevents the coalescence of urban and rural environments, namely Llantwit Major and Llanmaes. The fields included in the Green Wedge create an important, peaceful transit zone into Vale lanes and countryside much loved and appreciated not only by Llanmaes residents but also (dog) walkers, runners, cyclists and horse riders who regularly visit this area. The Green Wedge would allow the continuation of a valuable asset that supports the wellbeing of villagers and visitors. Should fields not be protected this would open the floodgates to speculative development and loss of further green space.

2. Retail - Land at Bridge Farm (Site ID379 Proposal Number SP12 (2))

This Called In planning application by Lidl, having previously been rejected by VOG Planning Officers, should not have been approved and should be excluded from the RLDP. This site is outside the RDLP's Strategic Growth Area, it will blatantly result in the coalescence of town and village and will form a wholly inappropriate intrusion into the Green Wedge and surrounding countryside.

It may be worth noting that time has moved on since this retail site was proposed. The RLDP highlights, as indicated below, the need for such an outlet not in the strikingly appropriate entrance to Llanmaes but in the Strategic Growth Area in which St Athan and Eglwys Brewis sit. This would better serve the requirements of the burgeoning population in this area

3. Housing - Land to the South of Millands Farm [Site ID 352 Proposal Number HG1 (5)], Land between the Northern Access Road and Eglwys Brewis Road [Site A Proposal Number H2 (2)] and Land between the Northern Access Road and Eglwys Brewis Road [Site B Proposal Number H2 (3)]

Although the proposed sites for housing will not fall within the Llanmaes boundary, I must make comment on my serious concerns regarding the apparent lack of provision of infrastructure for these developments. Where is the new Health Centre, additional Primary and Secondary schools (extending St Athan Primary would not be adequate for children from potentially 600 households), Sport and Leisure facilities? These essential, basic requirements cannot be met by existing, already stretched services in Llantwit Major alone.

4. Flood Alleviation

Llanmaes residents should still not have to rely on floodgates as their only means of defence in the face of heavy rainfall. The much discussed but never fully implemented Flood Alleviation Scheme, should be included in the RLDP. In addition, if the ill conceived retail development at Bridge Farm is rejected, this land, plus the Green Wedge, could be used for ecologically sustainable tree planting.

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