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Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to add my comments to the consultation on the North Claines Submitted Neighbourhood Plan. We live on Droitwich Road, and one of our children is due to start at Claines School in September.

I am concerned about the lack of school places in the area. I know of many families who had to go through the stress of their child not being offered a place locally until a bulge class was created at Northwick Manor. This is not a sustainable solution to a problem that is not going away, and new housing developments will only make the issue worse.

I feel that the suggested community hub comprising a new school, GP surgery etc. would help to resolve some of the issues with lack of places, but only if the number of places was increased significantly, and that transport was fully considered. The issues with parking on School Bank make this road very dangerous at school drop off and pick up time.

I would also like to support the suggestion to reopen the station at Fernhill Heath. My husband commutes to Birmingham via Droitwich station and a closer station would mean that he did not have to drive, reducing our environmental impact.

I would very much like to see some more shops in the village, a bakers, grocers or butchers for example. This would reduce the number of journeys that villagers had to make to the supermarkets etc. Thank you for your time, and for allowing me to make comment on the plan.

Kind Regards,

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