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Good Evening,

I would like to raise an objection regarding the proposed Grangemouth Flood Protection Scheme and the undeniable and irreparable damage that will impact [REDACTED].

I have lived in Grangemouth for 48 years and the last 16 years in [REDACTED]. The reason I chose to live where I do, is largely down to the treelined parade leading to Zetland Park which is one of the genuinely nicest areas of the town.

I am horrified that the only supposed option to put forward requires the tearing down of all the trees. Trees which have stood for 100 years. To be replaced with small trees that will never grow beyond 20ft tall.

In my 48 years, the burn has not flooded and the ridiculous amount of proposed money between £472-£650 million (a figure that has consistently escalated since the initial proposal), is money that the Scottish Government could really be pushing to our Education and National Health Service, rather than tearing the heart of an already neglected town apart even further.

Whilst I understand that some form of flood protection is required due to environmental changes, the sheer arrogance of Falkirk Council and more so, Jacob's who purely see a money making opportunity, completely ignores local opinion and they are only interested in pushing their own agenda.

There have been multiple forums and suggestions put forward which have consistently been brushed aside with no real explanations, remaining locked in with the plan they wish to push. I find it arrogant and absurd.

I would plead that the existing plans be massively revised, to allow the town to retain the current tree lined areas of [REDACTED] rather than butchering them all, to be replaced with a 'Berlin wall-esque' structure.

Will the projected £472-£650 million prove a complete waste of money like it did in Inverness when after huge expense, the system was not fit for purpose anyway and was breached shortly after completion?!

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Kind regards
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