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living in arrowtown district for 30 years
children went to Arrow School

created and owned local business Dorothy Brown's
cinema.

I know what it's like to live & work here. I understand
how special, unique and exceptional ~~Arrow~~ Arrowtown is.
To ruin this is not smart. Intensification would
ruin the reason tourists visit and families and people
live here. What do we love about Arrowtown?
The community, the ease of living, no need for fences,
security, manageable traffic, wonderful views
from everywhere. Great view from all houses/home
poor, wealthy, no one is shadowed by tall neighborly houses.
Intensification would bring with cold, no view, frost,
~~and winter ice~~ winter ice.

I don't believe intensification would solve existing
problems but create more.

We can't manage the problems currently experienced
by development down the road, 5 mile and Franklin
area. Sewage (treated) going into waterways, traffic jams.
We haven't found a way to resolve these - so
why develop Arrowtown with intensification knowing we
can't solve the ^{existing} problems? Just create the same or
more.

Once this town is destroyed there is no going back.
So we have to be absolutely sure. and we ~~are~~ are
not. We need to be absolutely sure the impact
from intensification is more positive than negative.
We are not. We need to be responsible to ourselves,
and to the next generations. This is too short
term thinking, we don't want to be the future generation
to ~~have~~ accuse us and ~~not~~ regret we didn't look after
the town's specialness for them. Get a more comprehensive
plan.