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To: DPD
Subject: Tiverton's New Neighbourhood at Post Hill and Halberton

Dear Sirs

Tiverton's New Neighbourhood at Post Hill – and Halberton

I have had a chance to look at the latest version of the "Tiverton's New Neighbourhood at Post Hill" documents.

I am absolutely horrified that the provisions for joining the A361 are so vague and ineffective. As usual, no infrastructure before development, usually resulting in no infrastructure! It would appear that nobody cares about what happens to residents living on the existing roads leading to and from the new development.

Although the junction to the Northbound A361 is supposed to be funded by the developers, no firm plans are in place for a Southbound junction. The Highways Department representative in attendance tried to assure me that motorists would actually drive along the A361 northwards to go round the roundabout to come back southwards rather than drive through Halberton! This will not happen.

The current so-called traffic calming measures do not work, so any increase in vehicle movements will make the road through the village of Halberton intolerable. The road surface already shows the damage being done and more traffic will only make matters worse.

The developers appear to be able to take all the profits without having to do anything to help improve an already overloaded road system.

Any additional expansion from Tiverton will result in Halberton being completely swamped and if Hartnoll Farm applies again for yet more housing, there will be even more traffic using Halberton as a short cut. I do not believe that these plans can be acceptable.

This letter is an Objection to the proposals, if there is not to be new road construction prior to any development.

Yours faithfully

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Dear Sirs

Tiverton's New Neighbourhood at Post Hill – how it will affect the residents of Halberton

We have visited Halberton Village Hall to look at the latest version of the "Tiverton's New Neighbourhood at Post Hill" documents.

From the drawings, no provision appears to have been made for additional vehicle movements through Halberton. We are absolutely horrified that the provisions for joining the A361 are so vague and ineffective. As usual, no infrastructure before development, which usually results in no infrastructure! It would appear that nobody cares what happens to the Village and its inhabitants.

The Highways Department representative in attendance tried to assure us that motorists would actually drive along the A361 northwards to go round the roundabout to come back southwards rather than drive through Halberton! We don't know what planet he is on, but it just will not happen – he obviously does not use the road under the existing conditions.

There do not appear to be any additional traffic calming measures for Halberton and any increase in traffic will make the village a no-go area. As it stands, the road through the village is already used as a "rat run" and there are queues at all times of the day to get through. The markings for the pinch points are ignored by a large section of the motoring public and those of us who live here are constantly being abused by motorists who are driving through at well over the speed limit. Examination of the road surface will show how much damage is already being done to it. It is only a matter of time before there is damage to property and/or vehicles and any additional vehicle movements will only make matters worse.

The developers appear to be able to take all the profits without having to do anything to help the local residents with problems they may cause through their property expansion, even the Golf Club will apparently have to take responsibility for any damage caused by golfers to new properties!

We now hear that in addition to the TEA current plans, Hartnoll Farm is believed to be applying for Planning for the land used by Mid Devon Show and yet more houses – presumably they will need to use the roads (through Halberton) too. Who would want to live here now?

With the prospect of Junction 27 development in the coming years, what can we do except move away?

Please take this letter as an Objection to the proposals, if there is not to be new road construction prior to any development.

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