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From: Kentisbeare Parish Council
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Dear Sirs

NW Cullompton masterplanning – Second Consultation

Thank you for allowing the Parish Council to comment on the above, please refer to the points below which were discussed at the last meeting of Kentisbeare Parish Council:

1. There is concern regarding the width of the new "relief" road through the new development starting at Tiverton Road and connecting up with Willand Road near the Health Centre. This road must be wide enough to discourage vehicles from parking on the pavements as demonstrated on the second phase of Swallow Way. Any new road through the NW development should be built as was the first phase of Swallow Way where there are no problems whatsoever with driving right through. No vehicles should be allowed to come directly from homes right onto this new road. Relief means relief not congestion.
2. Any more development will inevitably cause congestion in the centre of Cullompton. We are pleased that there are plans to build the eastern relief road at the same time as the new houses. There should not be any delays in finishing this vital road.
3. We see there are no plans to re-locate the Fire Station. This should also be part of the masterplan for the NW of Cullompton. It is obvious that any further development off Tiverton Road will cause major delays for this service to reach the motorway. The Fire Station should be sited on one of the industrial sites near Junction 28 to respond quickly to call-outs. We understand most shouts are for incidents on the M5 and not house fires.
4. Queries have arisen with reference to the number of small play areas shown on the proposal. Small play areas are expensive to maintain and not at all imaginative for children. There is an opportunity with this development to provide one large play area with numerous types of equipment to engage all ages. We are aware that MDDC is already shutting down some small play areas because of running costs. Can we suggest that the district council view the playing field in Kentisbeare, as this is a good example of what is needed.
5. Kentisbeare Parish Council fully support the proposal for a Community Garden at College Surgery. There are many benefits for such a proposal and it will be a tragedy if this does not materialise. It is understood that patients will benefit greatly from the garden. Not only will the area be for patients to help themselves deal with the effects of ill health and rehabilitation, but it will also give an opportunity for some patients to work in the garden, helping them to deal with specific health problems, including patients that require information about healthy diet and nutrition. It is also understood that such a garden will not only benefit College Surgery Centre, but will benefit Cullompton town as a whole, including the new school.

I would be grateful if you could kindly acknowledge receipt of this email.

Yours faithfully

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