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Dear Sirs,

CULLOMPTON NORTH WEST DEVELOPMENT PLAN - ST GEORGES VIEW

I am writing to register my objections to the proposed plans of using St Georges View as the main through road to the building work being done in the adjacent field.

I am not objecting to the proposed works of extra housing, I understand that, however sadly, we do have to lose a little of our beautiful, green countryside (the main reason that the majority of us choose to live in Devon) as the population expands – but I do strongly object to the plans to have heavy vehicles using the road as a thoroughfare whilst the work is being undertaken simply because there has been a distinct lack of planning with regards to sorting out safe and logical access to the building site and a huge lack of regard to residents of St Georges View.

Have you, on a human level, thought about the impact of this?

The wide, dusty, heavy goods vehicles could be whizzing up and down our little road for 2 years or more. Then, when the building is complete, there is a plan for this road to be used as the main route in and out for the extra 40+ new houses which, in this day and age, could feasibly have 2 or more cars each. What a ludicrous idea! As residents we are already struggling with the amount of traffic that is being introduced onto our beautiful, safe, quiet cul-de-sac. The amount of non-residents that are using our road as a place to park their cars is getting out of control. We assume that these vehicles are coming from areas like Pen-Y-Dre and Hill Crest etc – as well as dangerously parking on Willand Road since one side of the road was un-intelligently painted with double yellow lines, forcing all the traffic to park on the opposite side causing lengthy blind spots (which is a totally separate issue to which a large number of Cullompton residents object, this is an everyday danger to road users which is time and time again batted away by both the local council and the Highways Agency) – they are also choosing to leave their cars, vans and even a school mini bus on our road causing bottle necked traffic, blind spots when driving down the road and trying to back out of driveways, not leaving enough space for residents to park, and even making the corner turning into the road dangerous to navigate – if you have ever been to visit St Georges View you will know this is a tight corner that goes back on itself so, when there is a long line of parked traffic down one side of the road, this turning becomes precarious. How do you anticipate controlling the traffic from the current residents, new housing and extra parked traffic whilst using the road as the entrance to a building site?

St Georges View is home to many, many residents who have lived there for a long period of time. I myself have lived at number 6 since I was 2 years old. That means I am lucky enough to have lived in a safe, peaceful community of neighbours for 28 years. Many residents are retired and spend the majority of their time in their homes and gardens enjoying the relative peace that comes from living on such a lovely road, my Father being one of these, and yet all of this is to be blighted (don't even get me started on the fact that our homes will instantly lose value) because no one has planned to build the main road first – this is ridiculous! It wouldn't

just be better from our point of view for the Tiverton Road end of the road to be completed first – surely it would be better for the army of developers and contractors to have un-interrupted access to their site for the duration of time that they are working there. Not only would this mean that they could come and go as they needed without disrupting our daily life, devaluing our properties and causing traffic volume chaos down the small, un-fit for purpose residential road but it would also mean that the beautiful, preserved oak trees at the top of the road would not be disturbed. These trees are beautiful, they herald the countryside that we love and have been here a lot longer than any of us have – St Georges View was built without disturbing these, surely you can offer the same level of courtesy and do the same this time around.

Regards,

Miss Zoe Emma Tinley