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Local Planning Review
Forward Planning
Mid Devon District Council
Phoenix House
Phoenix Lane
Tiverton



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25 March 2014

Dear Sir/Madam

It is with regret that we wish to **withdraw** our lands from the future development of Cullompton. We have given it a lot of thought and to lose our home and the heart of our business is difficult to replace. To find alternative farms of this size would not be possible in Devon. Unless the whole farm is purchased it does not make sense to get rid of the house and buildings leaving the rest not big enough to farm.

Cullompton needs a new junction or an improvement to the one they have before any development takes place, not when a project is about to start. Also the water run-off from both sites can only cause extra burdens on the River Culm as we have seen the last two years and likely to cause flooding at Kingsmill and Meadows the lower end of Cullompton. The farms cannot be made accountable for the extra water without compensation in the future, ie Somerset Levels.

The population is on the increase and people will need feeding so why cover up some of the best land when brown fields sites need to be developed. Also houses will need to be higher to stop the spread of tarmac.

Please withdraw my lands at Aller Barton from the housing development.

Yours Faithfully,

Roger Cooke