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Local Plan Review Consultation
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Dear Sir/Madam,

With regard to your Local Plan Consultation, my husband and I have been to your latest consultation.

We have made our views known at other times, but we noticed that neither ourselves or others we have spoken to have had any notice taken of those views.

We know that Knowle Lane development has gone ahead. We did share our concerns about that particular development.

However the old glasshouses site seems to be the right decision, its just that we couldn't see the way in and out of that area, as the roads on the existing estate are very narrow.

Cullompton badly needs a bypass, going by the Leisure centre across the CCA fields. Through a large housing estate is not the place for a by-pass. The town is already blocked with parked cars, delivery lorries, as well as heavy lorries and large tractors passing through. This is all causing damage to our historic buildings, and also air pollution. I have been in stores when even with the doors closed, if a number of heavy vehicles are passing through you cannot hear what anyone is saying.

My husband and I think a by-pass is more important than a railway station.

The large areas on your plans as possible housing development in the future just seems crazy to us. Other people who we have shared your possible proposals think the same. Schools both primary and Secondary; (which are already overfull) and other essential infra structure would have to be built. Also we would be in need of a hospital, as Tiverton has.

We are concerned that good farmland is being swallowed up, when we know that there is going to be a food shortage in the future. There are a number of buildings in and around Cullompton that are empty or in need of repair and altered so they could be used as housing. One large house near the new Aldi store has been empty for over 14 years that we know of. I've been told its listed. What a waste.

Why if we are so short of houses are people allowed to buy second homes?

We know you are doing your best with very limited finances and do appreciate the good things you provide for us.

Yours

Mrs Sheila Gould