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Sir/Madam,

Having lived in the Hemyock catchment area for over 40 years, I am saddened by the proposed scheme to build some 200 new houses here. Hemyock in our time has developed into a vibrant and lovely village community, it has the infrastructure to cope with both school, sporting and shopping needs. However to build a further 200 house will take Hemyock from a happy friendly Village Community into an amorphous Town.

My principal objection is the inability of the Road system to cope, there is little if any scope to enhance this. The old railway is too far gone to be reinstated, and Pencross Hill and the Culmstock Road have no spare capacity for improvement. In addition I am advised that neither the primary school nor surgery let alone the sewerage system have the ability to expand. Currently large articulated lorries serve both Brookridge Timber, the chicken farm, and Dunkeswell, already they cause considerable problems on our small and narrow roads. "200 houses I am advised will attract a further 400 private cars" not to mention a further 8,000 people, young and old.

Our two shops, the Post Office and Spar offer great service to our current population, however to serve a potential further 8,000 people is well beyond their ability, as much as they would like it.

I urge you to give careful consideration to these points and whilst understand this a MID DEVON plan, do please consider the options of reallocating the 200 homes at Hemyock to the new developments at junctions 26 and 27 where new and modern road systems can link into the present roads structure and there is scope to build new schools, shops, surgeries to cope.

Yours faithfully
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