

**Sandra Hutchings**

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**From:** HELEN GALLOWAY  
**Sent:** 17 March 2014 11:39  
**To:** DPD  
**Subject:** objections site land at old abattoir site coplestone (next to Shambles Drive)

60 Shambles Drive  
 Coplestone  
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 Dear Sirs,



I am writing to object to the development of the old abattoir site which currently has provision for 48 homes and the local plan review.

Having lived here the past 8 years I feel I am qualified to voice my objections.

1) utilities infrastructure. For sewage the current pumping station at the bottom of Shambles Drive/Station Road needs constant attention due to not being able to deal with the current number of houses situated in the area. Planning permission has been given to 5 houses adjacent to Station Road which seems to be overlooked. Broadband speeds fluctuate from okay to none existant at times and more pressure will surely have an effect as we are not on fibre optics yet.

2 Leisure infrastructure - is non- existant. There is no village hall or very limited activities for young youths who have now decided that hanging around outside and playing in our car ports and making noise re-screaming until past 10pm is good sport. After asking them to politely move and getting a mouthful of abuse I have decided to just turn the radio up loud as a conversation can not take place in the house due to the noise outside. Previous issues with litter, noise, defecation, throwing of stones at peoples windows has gone unchallenged by the council and police when issues have been raised.

The children are not allowed to go to the park by themselves as it is just that little bit too far away. (don't mis-understand this is not all children just the minority which can make things difficult.) There are a lot children in a small area with no place to go and let off steam which is sad.

3 Flooding on the A377 is getting worse and the road is covered in potholes. The top of Shambles drive acts as a run off for all the rain water off the fields which then goes into the vacant land. Where is this water to be re-directed as the existing drains can not cope? The land also contains chemicals from its previous role and also has springs which caused Belway difficulties when developing the land.

4 transport infrastructure - Trains need updating and the stations are being developed. Trains need more carriages at peak times and this seems to be an ongoing issue for years with no resolution. There is also a need for increased bus services and better management of the park and ride at Crediton.

5 Schools provision - primary school is oversubscribed . There is limited room for extension of the premises and additionally no further room in the pre-school.

6 Employment - There is very limited opportunities in the village which means people have to commute putting added pressure on roads, rail and busses,

The village has reached its maximum with the infrastructure which supports it. Building more houses is not the answer when the the services already existing are at stretching point.

This is why I oppose any development of the land.

Yours sincerely  
H Galloway