Sandra Hutchings

From: Kate Fairclough

Sent: 24 March 2014 10:07

To: DPD

Subject: OBJECTION TO BUILDING HOUSES ON HARTNOLL FARM

Dear Sir,

Regarding the Local Plan Review and the proposal to build houses on Hartnoll farm.

I would like to register my OBJECTION to these developments. I do not feel this is an appropriate site being so close to the Grand Western Canal. This is a peaceful haven for wildlife, walkers, cyclists and fishermen. It is an important tourist attraction which brings in valuable income to the local area. I feel this housing development is too big and too close to the canal.

There is mention of plans for 1100 houses on this site, this will significantly increase traffic through Sampford Peverall, Halberton and Blundells school – this road is busy enough. Halberton school children and their parents already struggle to make their way along the High Street with the large amount of traffic. This development is likely to increase traffic in both directions.

I note that Halberton is recognised as a village suitable for limited development. Any development on Hartnoll Farm is effectively a development on the outskirts of Halberton and will begin the process of 'filling in the gap' between Halberton and Tiverton. People choose to live in villages as they are small rural communities, surrounded by green spaces and farmland, this development will effectively destroy the green space to the West of Halberton. Villages, such as Halberton, are much better suited to small local housing projects.

Hartnoll farm is prime agricultural land – it should be used for farming.

My address: 1 Cordwents View, Halberton, Devon EX16 7FF

I hope you will take my comments and objections into consideration,

Regards,

Kate Fairclough.

