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Forward Planning
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Dear Sirs

Re: Proposed Local Plan Review – Hemyock 200 Houses

We are writing to object to the building of **any** houses on the proposed sites in the parish of Hemyock; two at Culmbridge Farm and one on the Culmstock Road.

Our main reasons for objecting are as follows.

Hemyock is lovely village with a good community spirit and this is part of the reason why we moved from the South East where over development of villages is rife. We do not want to see the village of Hemyock ruined in the same way.

New housing developments have been built in Hemyock in recent years and the design of which has been poor in some cases and has not been in keeping with the surrounding character of the area.

The current road infrastructure is struggling to cope with the amount of traffic coming through the village and at certain times of the day it becomes hazardous for people to walk through the village to the shops and many motorists use the narrow lanes as rat-runs. Any increase in traffic would severely affect the village and be quite unbearable for many of the current residents.

Surface water on Station Road will put more houses at risk of flooding and the proposed Culmbridge North site is on a flood plain.

In summary; we are against the building of any large housing developments in Hemyock due to the severe increase in traffic, on roads that are already struggling to cope, and the spoiling of a lovely rural village with what will no doubt be characterless homes.

200 new homes may well be proposed for now but from our experience in other parts of the country it does not stop there!

There are alternative areas outside the parish of Hemyock that are far more suitable for a housing development of this proposed scale. Please do not ruin our village!

Yours faithfully

Lesley & Simon Brookes