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TO MID DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL
PHOENIX LANE
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EX16 6PP

I am writing with reffence to the proposed land for development at copplestone. The land at the back of Dulings meadow and Fernworthy gardens, I feel would cause a lot of problems relating to flooding and drainage, Along with road problems which is already a problem.

The school is just not big enough to cope with increase of the population, the school can not increase its size any more the site is not big enough.

Copplestone itself I feel has expanded to its full potential without finding some more employment, better roads which would mean a bypass at crediton, A new site for a school, and some leisure infrastructure, We need a village hall!!!

We had a very good village hall which was well used regularly for dances, whist drives young farmers meeting, produce auctions, as well as lots of private hire, which you pulled down and put up houses with a promise of a new village hall!!

My husband and I attended the meeting prior to the last development at Copplestone primary school, At this meeting they said there would not be a problem with the school and the new houses as only one child in three would attend the school, and families were getting smaller!!

There was only 125 pupils attending Copplestone primary at that time with 5 classrooms, NOW 9 years later, and 7 classrooms there are 215 pupils at Copplestone primary school.

The employment in the village, we have one shop and one pub and one agricultural which employ. We use to have a feeders merchant and two petrol stations, a slaughter house and butchers. Copplestone residents have to drive or catch public transport to get to and from work. The roads are grid lock now, the trains you have to stand, the buses never turn up on time that you can rely on for work!!

When we have a lot of bad weather we get flooding at copplestone and knowle and yeoford, This will get worse with more houses!!! The land at dulings which is behind fernworthy gardens will devalue our bungalows. Please give this some thought before you do this development, you might need more houses but not on good grade A ground. We need farmers!!!

Many thank

JOHN & SARALI CHOWN