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Dear Mid Devon Officers,

All the reasons already quoted are absolutely valid but the financial, social and environmental factors should not be minimised.

There is no gas in the village, no homes have to be all electric or have oil fired central heating. The latter can cost up to £150 monthly if, like me, you are elderly and infirm or you have a young family at home. This is a great financial burden.

Hemgock is a village and tries hard to function as one, I f

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it continues to swell inappropriately resources will be overwhelmed and the village atmosphere and cohesion will be lost, while social problems increase!

Greater residency would put undue pressure on all the village resources including the roads in and out of the village which are not wide enough for continuous two way traffic. Car drivers are continually having to stop, reverse to let others through. Congestion will lead to impatience and more accidents; a serious risk to a village with many elderly residents.

The river is beautiful but because of the regular flooding a raised walkway had to be erected.

2. Please note the bus service is very sparse, so of little use to people who work.

At times of flooding, the bridge cannot be crossed by cars unless owners can afford a 4 x 4! Otherwise it necessitates a much longer alternate route which takes much longer and costs more money - both an issue . . . .

The river does not just flood over the road but over the field also, highly visible from our back bedroom window. This occurred very frequently last year and this and given that the meteorologists maintain this trend will continue, possibly increasing I cannot believe that the Council would permit development on a flood risk area, especially the lower half! We should all learn from Somerset's misjudgement . . . . PTO

Our each garden hedge forms part of the village boundary so we know this field is not waste land. The farmer uses it for grazing young cattle and when they are not there the grass is grown and cut for fodder. It is a 'green field site' and should be kept as such, protected not ruined.

The Black Down Hills are regarded as an area of natural beauty and should be maintained as such not constantly developed when facilities are limited and there is no local need.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Sir

I am writing to place an objection to the proposed local plan review to include the building of any houses on the proposed sites; two at Culmbridge Farm and one on Culmstock Road in the Hemyock parish.

The objection is due to a number of reasons:

1. The school has limited infrastructure to take more children.
2. The Doctors surgery will be unable to take new patients.
3. The sewage is already under undue pressure and overflows at Longmead Hemyock.
4. Surface water in Station Road will put more houses at risk of flooding.
5. The road infrastructure is unable to manage with the amount of traffic at the present time, never mind having to have more.
6. Car parking is generally an issue within Hemyock.
7. Culmbridge North site is on a flood plain that floods regularly.

Please could you register these very valid reasons for my objection to the proposed adding of building houses in Hemyock Parish.

Yours Faithfully