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To: DPD
Subject: RE 900 HOUSES TO BE BUILT IN CREDITON. OBJECTION TO THIS IDEA

Re the monstrous idea of putting 900 new homes into a town whose road structure has not changed since my grandparents came here in 1895 and lived at Landscore. This is easily seen by looking at the town map of 1892.

There will be permanent grid lock in the town if all these houses are built. Pollution will ratchet up yet again. The sewage system already overflowing down near Exeter Road and water supplies will be overloaded. there ARE 14,000 VEHICLES A DAY GOING THROUGH EXETER RD ALREADY. THERE WILL BE MORE IF HOUSING IS ALLOWED TO BE BUILT WEST OF THE TOWN.

Ok if you have a good complete bypass, not a useless link road. Exeter road will still be with us. As we have lived down Threshers since 1939 and looking at the map for the proposed new housing it seems that CRE10 at the end of Threshers will be built on marshy ground and the traffic will be funnelled through threshers where ignorant parking is a speciality and gridlock is occurring.

There are few jobs here There is no infrastructure to speak of, just a manla to dump as many houses as possible and then hope the problem will go away. It was suggested

a new 3,000 home community could be built in Devon, a dlstrct council has said. Mid Devon District Council is looking at two sites, one near junction 27 of the M5 at Willand and the other near the motorway at Cullompton. The development Is being considered as an alternative to expanding Tiverton, Cullompton and Crediton. A public consultation over whether to grow the towns or build the new community after 2026 has been launched. This idea would make more sense than cramming pockets of houses here and there, jamming up country roads which haven't changed since the stone age.

To add insult to injury we possibly have to endure an influx of travellers whose pitches are paid for out of public money and just to preserve their selfish "chosen lifestyle". Site expansion would be on the agenda as their mates join them as happened in Basildon costing the taxpayer a £4.65m special grant to Essex Police to assist with the eviction to remove them.

If they have homes in Ireland then they should not be eligible for public finance here. There are more deserving causes like keeping St Lawrence home open. Britain's first purpose-built campsite for new age travellers at Haldon Hill is facing the axe after only a handful agreed to move in because residents were told to pay council tax. Officials were due to spend £1.2million of public money transforming an existing illegal camp into fifteen state-of-the-art eco plots. They promised communal allotments, a children's play area, a site manager and environmentally friendly features such as composting bins. But the plans have stalled after 90 per cent of the itinerants currently there do not want to stay because they would not want to fork out for council tax.

There are genuine people who need housing here and are overlooked. Traveller business interests include helping themselves to other peoples' possessions, not paying council tax. and turning their illegal site into a pig sty as seen up at Haldon. Road tax and insurance are optional extras but for the honest working person, It is compulsory.

I object most strongly. A Burge, Evenleigh Threshers Crediton EX17 3NL

