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ref: NW Cullompton Masterplan

Dear Sir

Having attended the public consultation on the above development I would like to make the following comments

Road Infrastructure

- i) In recent years there have been two large housing developments on Tiverton Road increasing the flow of traffic and causing increased congestion with the junction at Fore Street.
- ii) The flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic in Tiverton Road between the 30 mile an hour restriction sign, by Trumps Orchard and the junction with Fore Street will be greatly increased due to the proposed development.
- iii) A "No Right Turn" sign at the Tiverton Road Fore Street junction is frequently ignored and when large vehicles meet they are unable to pass causing one of them to reverse back out onto Fore Street creating yet another hazard and congestion.
- iv) There should be a ban on large commercial vehicles and buses using Tiverton Road. I do however appreciate the need for two way traffic for emergency and delivery vehicles.
- v) If the proposed development as shown on the master plan with its access onto Tiverton Road the residents of this development will be tempted to use Tiverton Road and the Fore Street junction to access the M5 this being the quickest route.
- vi) The long promised Eastern Relief Road must also be finalized and constructed to prevent further congestion.

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Pedestrian Safety

- vii) The recent developments in Tiverton Road has also seen a large increase in pedestrian traffic to schools and shops. Anyone coming out of the Kingfisher Estate has to cross Tiverton Road on a "T" junction and back again (just past the Plymouth Brethren building) in order to remain safe. There are no continuous pavements coming out of that estate.
- viii) Pedestrians coming out of the Langford Park Estate also have to cross the road through lack of pavements. The lack of safe crossing places for pedestrians on Tiverton Road are of particular concern for the numerous school children and families with toddlers and pushchairs. Children on their own quite often take unnecessary risks running across the road therefore putting their lives in danger.

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Travellers Site

- ix) If Option 2 is adopted the proposed Travellers site next to the sports pitches lacks foresight as further travellers could be encouraged to meet up and invade the sports facilities as recently happened in Exeter thus making the facilities unusable.
- x) Dogs from the site could contaminate the sports pitches making it a health hazard for the legitimate users.
- xi) The site in this location would also increase the dangers in Tiverton Road from traffic mainly the large mobile caravans and trucks associated with travellers

With regards to the options on the master plan, Option 2 would be more benefical to the town but some way must be planned to discourage the use of Tiverton Road.

I ask that the people representing the community make planning decisions that give priority to the safe environment of the people of Cullompton.

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