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Dear Sir/Madam,

As a resident of Knightwood, Chandler's Ford, I would like to voice my objections to the proposed housing development at Velmore Farm, off Templars Way, Chandler's Ford.

The reasons for my objections are:

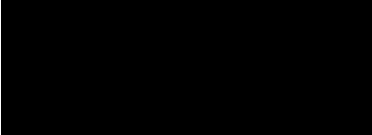
- The Infrastructure in this part of the community is barely sufficient to support the current residents. The doctors surgery, Park and St Francis, has a very long waiting time of 2 - 3 weeks or more for a non-emergency appointment. Is it fair and just to add further pressure to their work load and would it be fair and just for possible future patients?
- We have very few NHS dentist surgeries in this area and the ones we do have are no longer accepting additional patients. Everyone I know in this area has little choice but to attend a private dentist.
- As a former school teacher I understand the importance of NOT overwhelming schools with extra pupils they are ill prepared to cope with. The effect of such a burden would be drop in the standard of education. In this region it is extremely difficult to find a place for a single new child that may have moved into the area. One of my new neighbours was forced to drive as far as Romsey for school places for their two children. It would surely not be fair to either the existing schools or the possible children themselves, to place them in this situation.
- Roads. Although the council try hard to keep on top of road repairs, particularly pot-holes and blocked drains causing flooding, we still still suffer with problems. The extra impact of additional cars would surely be detrimental to the current situation.
- In addition to further damage to roads, the increase in air pollution could be substantial. Not only do few people own electric cars to reduce pollution, but even if there were more, there are insufficient charging points to cope with increased demand.
- Danger to pedestrians. Increased traffic adds a further danger to children and the elderly crossing roads.
- Public transport. Although the Blue line Number 1 bus runs regularly between Winchester and Southampton, the busses are full at peak times. The only other bus service to get to Southampton Hospital from this area, runs only twice a day,
- Loss of Green Space and farm-land. Surely there is a plethora of wildlife that will

lose their habitat as a result of this proposed development. I, for one, care about the natural environment.

In conclusion, I believe my objections are valid and this proposed development would have a negative impact in many ways on the lives of the current residents.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret King



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