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Test Valley Council

I write to express my genuine concern regarding the proposed development of the Velmore Farm in the Parish of Chilworth.

1. Traffic

If, over a 1000 homes were to be built as proposed the amount of congestion experienced on the main feeder roads would be immense. Templar's Way is already congested and traffic travels at speed quite continuously everyday. There are certain times of the day it is already very difficult to exit Salcombe Close, and if you average at least one, and more often two cars per household, it would potentially put another 2000+ cars onto Templar's Way.

2. Local Health Facilities

It is already extremely difficult to obtain a doctors appointment at St. Francis Surgery with the possibility of a minimum 2000+ people needing to use the same facility would be an absolute catastrophe.

3. Local Environment

Flooding has always been a major issue in Templar's Way and School Lane. This area is predominantly clay and can't cope now with the drainage issues already being experienced. Goodness knows another 1000+ houses would really overload the area and probably make it virtually impossible to drain surface water.

4. Local Gap

This development would breach the local gap and significantly reduce yet again the area for the wildlife to live. Most days there is a herd of deer out grazing on the very fields proposed for development. There would be a large loss of green space and biodiversity. Valley Park would become an even bigger sprawling mass of houses.

5. Schools

This would also be a major concern. Both Knightwood and St Francis schools are already full and certainly could not accommodate the influx of all the children that would flood into the area with such a new proposed development.

I am really disappointed to even think that this would be a seriously considered piece of land for development by TVBC too many good reasons for its unsuitability.

A concerned Valley Park Resident



P.s. I have lived on Valley Park since 1985 please don't spoil this lovely area

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