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Insert any general comments that do not relate to a specific paragraph number or policy in the general comments box below.*If you are suggesting a change is needed to the draft Local Plan or supporting document, it would be helpful if you could include suggested revised wording. If you are commenting on a document supporting the draft Local Plan (such as a topic paper, or the Sustainability Appraisal), please indicate so.

I adamantly oppose the proposed development at Velmore Farm. The lack of comprehensive infrastructure planning renders the addition of over a thousand new homes impractical and potentially detrimental to our community. Therefore, I strongly advocate for halting this development altogether to safeguard the well-being and sustainability of our local area.

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Insert any specific comments in the general comments box below, indicating which paragraph, policy or matter your comments relate to where possible.*If you are suggesting a change is needed to the draft Local Plan or supporting document, it would be helpful if you could include suggested revised wording.

The proposed development at Velmore Farm is deeply concerning for several reasons. Firstly, the addition of over a thousand new homes without proper infrastructure planning will strain existing resources such as roads, schools, and healthcare services, leading to increased congestion and decreased accessibility for current residents.

Furthermore, the development threatens to eliminate valuable green land, which could be repurposed for better use. Instead of merely developing the area for housing, there is an opportunity to transform it into a wildlife reserve or a community space for existing residents to enjoy. Preserving green space is crucial for maintaining biodiversity and providing residents with areas to connect with nature.

Additionally, encroaching on green areas disrupts local ecosystems, contributes to habitat loss, and diminishes biodiversity. By repurposing the land for conservation or community use, we can mitigate these negative impacts and create a more sustainable future for our community.

Given these considerations, it's evident that the proposed development at Velmore Farm raises significant concerns about its impact on infrastructure, green spaces, and the environment. Decision-makers should explore alternative options that prioritize the well-being of current residents and preserve the natural heritage of our area.