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With regards to the Draft Local Plan 2040, I offer the following comments:

The preferred site of Velmore Farm for an allocation of over 1,000 houses, and land for employment use, adjoins Valley park and breaches our local gap between Chilworth and Valley Park.

If this Draft Local Plan is adopted and this land developed, it would have a huge negative impact on Valley Park residents. I am concerned that we will be losing yet more green space and the significant damage to the biodiversity and wildlife habitats that such a large-scale development will cause.

The impact of up to 2000 + vehicles onto Templars Way and local roads will have a significant detrimental impact, especially at peak times when there are already long queues.

It should be noted that Templars Way and Castle Lane is a diversion route for traffic in cases where there are closures / delays on the M3 and the M27.

I am concerned that there will be increased pressure from up to 2000 more residents upon our local doctor and dentist services. The 3,700 families in Valley Park currently share doctor's surgeries with North Baddesley and Chandlers Ford residents.

If this plan goes ahead it will mean that during the past 40 years Valley park will have seen around

5,000 homes built. Why are some of these homes not built in more rural areas close to villages whose pubs, shops, schools etc are struggling to survive and avoid closure? Why not have smaller developments of 200-300 homes near these villages rather large scale developments close to existing busy areas?

Velmore Farm is located on higher ground than Valley Park and the soil here is mainly clay based. The surface water from this site already accumulates and flows down onto Templars Way, School Lane and Castle Lane causing flooding across the roads. Valley Park already has a number of large balancing ponds which were necessary to prevent flooding of homes when previous large-scale development took place..

I am aware that a Roman Road runs over the land at Velmore Farm. This site must not be damaged or compromised in any way.

In summary I am very much against this proposed development and therefore do not support the 2040 Draft Local Plan.

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