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Dear Sirs,

I wish to object to the above with regard to the identifying of Velmore Farm, off Templars Way in the parish of Chilworth as a preferred site for development of 1,070 houses and an employment site. The conditions will still apply as earlier to various property developers' speculative applications in this general locale which were used by the TVBC to deny permission. Some of these previous issues were; pressure upon local health services, flooding of local highways, loss of green space and diversity and most importantly breaching a local gap.

However there is also the principle matter of actual political geography with the development being dumped on the extreme edge of the TVBC region. The already heavy burden of traffic around the area, in no small part generated by this borough's existing residents (Valley Park etc.), will increase dramatically. The brunt of this will fall upon the adjoining boroughs which is logistically and politically unacceptable.

Recent parliamentary boundary changes mean that TVBC residents in southern parishes will be in differing constituencies and represented by politicians with conflicting loyalties of Eastleigh/Southampton MPs v TVBC councillors on local, particularly planning, issues. This proposed development will throw even more, some additional 2,000 voters, into the paradox of being Eastleigh parliamentary constituents but Test Valley Borough Council residents.

Yours,

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