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I would like to comment on the Test Valley Borough Council's Draft Local Plan 2040, as follows:

Primary Issue - Flooding on the existing built communities and properties currently known as VALLEY PARK. On at least 2 occasions this year it has been impossible to navigate from park Pharmacy to the Valley Park Community Centre, in normal footwear, using the existing tarmaced foot paths to the rear of St Francis Surgery. The flow of water has been fast and gushing above shoe level.

The car parks and area around have been heavily puddled, almost forming a joined up 'lake'.

Roads around the area are regularly puddled to the extent that traffic will veer off the natural drive line to avoid large puddles.

Many houses are already at high risk of surface water flooding - according to national flood warning data base. Further run off from the proposed development on Velmore Farm will leave existing householders defenceless against water ingress into their properties.

The amenities at the local sports centre are likewise saturated by current water levels, making it a 'wellingtons only' outing during parts of the winter. Facilities will be further impaired with additional developments as per the plan.

Traffic - Already high at certain times of day. Certain to cause congestion without undesirable road enhancements.

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