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One for the Planning Policy team please.

Thanks. Lindsey

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Subject: Draft Local Plan 2040 land at Velmore Farm

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to object to the proposed local plan regarding the land at Velmore Farm, where there is an allocation of 1,070 houses. The land adjoins Valley Park and if this plan is adopted it would have a significant impact on the residents of Valley Park.

The green space around Valley Park will decrease which is not sustainable. New housing could be allocated in other rural villages and towns in Test Valley.

The impact of an extra 2000 or more cars on to Templars Way and other local roads is going to be detrimental. This area becomes gridlocked now, whenever there is an incident on the motorways, as it is the main diversion route. How will it cope with an extra 2000 cars, which does not take into account the building of 300 new homes on Hoe Lane and 1,100 homes at Whitenap? I have lived in this area since 1996 and nothing has been done to solve the problem of flooding on Templars Way and around the roundabout on School Lane, whenever there is a substantial amount of rain. The surface water accumulates creating deep flooded areas across the roads. This has worsened due to climate change. Surely this issue needs to be addressed with some urgency and building over 1,000 houses is not a solution, it will only make matters worse. Up to now the the Borough Council has not come up with a solution.

With the proposed development it has not taken into account the current infrastructure. Residents are struggling to get health care appointments now and this will only worsen, with the pressure of a possibility of an extra 4,000 patients assuming there are families with two children.

The Local Gap will disappear with this proposed development between Chilworth and Valley Park, resulting in a loss of green space and affecting the biodiversity of the wildlife.

Over the years Valley Park has had around 4,000 houses allocated which may rise to 5,000 with this new proposed plan. Surely, it is important to maintain the development of the surrounding villages and their infrastructures. However, in contrast there has been no allocation of new houses around the town of Stockbridge.

I strongly oppose this draft Local Plan and would like to see amendments made.

Yours faithfully

Jennifer Greasley

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