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Q1

Title Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr/Other(please state)\*

Miss

Q2

First Name\*

Kathryn

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Surname\*

Warren

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Organisation\*(If responding on behalf of an organisation)

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Postal address\*

N/A

## Q7

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 have lived in Valley Park for the vast majority of my life. I've always accepted that change is inevitable, the population is growing, and new housing is needed. As such, I've never submitted comments or feedback in response to these kinds of plans before, despite Valley Park being my home.

However, I felt the need to write and express my concern over the plans to build homes at Velmore Farm. I travel down this route often and I feel as though it's a poor location for such a large development; congestion is already severe at peak times as the Asda roundabout is where all of the main roads to Southampton city centre, the M27, and Eastleigh converge. The roundabout leading to School Lane is also a significant source of congestion, which is worsened by poor weather as it floods often.

It almost seems ironic that the development is so close to the sign which says the local council is tackling climate change; the loss of green space and horrendous increase in idle traffic at peak times would completely counter this goal.

I don't think the area is appropriate for building new houses, particularly at such a large scale. Perhaps a smaller housing development (eg, 200 homes) could be considered for the site instead.

## Q8

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