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We believe that Velmore Farm is not a suitable location for a large scale development of 1070 homes due to the negative impacts it will have on existing residents of Valley Park.

The development breaches the Local Gap between Chilworth and Valley Park. When we moved to Valley Park over 30 years ago it was a desirable area to live adjacent to farmland/green space and woodlands. A large amount of this green space was lost when Knightwood Park was built and if this development goes ahead the last remaining area of green space adjacent to Valley Park will be lost, to the detriment of local residents.

The development will lead to a large increase in local traffic with more congestion and pollution. Locating the entrance to the site off the School Lane/ Templars Way roundabout will adversely affect this area in particular. There have been ongoing issues with flooding on this roundabout and further down School Lane near Warwick Close for several years which have not been resolved. This flooding is caused by surface water running from the site. School Lane is already used as a "rat run" and at peak times there are queues at the roundabout in all directions.

The existing infrastructure in the area is not sufficient to support another 2000+ residents. The local doctors and dentists are already under pressure.

It is surprising that this area has been chosen for housing as there are 400kV and 132kV power lines crossing the site which can cause health issues for people living in close proximity.

We strongly object to the development at Velmore Farm for the reasons stated above. This development will not provide any positive benefits for the residents of Valley Park, but it will cause a lot of negative issues. There must be other sites in Test Valley that are more suitable for housing development.

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