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Firstly I would like to point out how badly this has been advertised. I have stumbled upon it, while looking for something else on the TVBC website. I fell that it cannot be endorsed as passing through a consultation period when the vast majority of residents had no idea there was a consultation going on.

My concerns mostly relate to transport, services & utilities. More recent developments (Abbottswood) have had severe problems with the supply of water due to the surrounding infrastructure not being able to handle the increase in capacity. How is that infrastructure going to cope with even more additional demand without substantial investment?

The ever growing demand on the local GP surgeries/Dentist due to the aging population (significant to most Romsey Residents). This cannot be fixed by getting more GPs as that is not in anyone's control. What is in the control of TVBC is providing facilities which can improve the efficiency of an already depleted resource pool. Providing a space which can bring all local NHS & Private GP surgeries/dentists/pharmacies together (SoRTC?) for a one stop shop to meet peoples healthcare needs more efficiently.

When it comes to transport Romsey is blessed with a well connected train station; however for many it is inaccessible. No busses stop at the train station and the parking provisions are woeful. Additionally due to the train tracks cutting the town into three, major pinch points are created at bridges/crossings. As the population of Romsey grows these pinch points will get worse and alternatives need to be added.

The most obvious (and easiest) pinch point to address is the Crampmoor Level Crossing especially with the proposed development south of Ganger Farm. Providing a way for all vehicles to easily navigate south from the straight mile down to Luzborough Roundabout will alleviate a lot of traffic from elsewhere in the town.

Another general statement that I don't understand is the reasons for "The areas around existing larger settlements will be the focus for new housing and employment allocations, as part of our sustainable approach". This seems short sighted, as many of the villages in Test Valley would benefit from a small increase in population so they can support local amenities (eg Shop/Pub/Bus route) which would be desirable to existing residents of the village.

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Respondent skipped this question

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