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Having received an information sheet from the NEERG, we fully agree with their objections to a further 258 homes being built as an extension to the Goodmores Farm development.

As an important East Devon town, Exmouth should and will inevitably expand, but for goodness sake, put the town in a position to be able to do so before any more housing development takes place.

Unless major employment opportunities are in the pipeline for Exmouth, most of these new residents will no doubt work in and around Exeter. As you are fully aware, at peak commuter times both main routes out and back to the town, the A376 and B3179/B3180, are already very busy, with traffic often slowing to a crawl. Should for whatever reason, one of those routes be closed, then gridlock ensues. Hundreds of new homes in the town will just exacerbate this situation.

Talk of improving both routes has been going on for years, **yet nothing gets done**, not even the last link from Dinan Way to the A376. Just think of the extra traffic these homes will create on the Wotton Lane ratrun and to a certain extent, on Courtlands Lane. And let's not forget Higher Marley Road, not wide enough in places for two cars to pass yet already required to carry very substantial commuter traffic to and from the B3179.

Is it unreasonable to expect that all the above mentioned roads should first be improved to the point where they can accommodate the expected traffic, rather than build, build in Exmouth and just ignore the consequences.

More new homes are needed in East Devon, but in the appropriate location and for now, Hill Barton is by far the better site.

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