10th January 2017

Planning Policy
East Devon District Council
Knowle
Station Road
Sidmouth EX10 8HL

Re: St Rita's Honiton-planning proposals.

Dear Sirs

I am writing as a parishioner of The Holy Family Church in Honiton concerning the possible compulsory purchase of land adjacent to St Rita's and the Catholic Church.

I have read through the documents about this on the District Council's website and see that the proposal is to find more land for sport, in particular football, for the town of Honiton. Part of the land in question is very close to the Catholic Church and in my opinion would have an extremely negative impact on services that are held at the church, many of which are held on Sundays; but the noise generated by football would also impact on other events held at the church, such as weddings and funerals.

In addition, the noise and additional car traffic generated by sports would completely change the atmosphere at the St. Rita's centre, which for many years has been a place of tranquillity and spiritual retreat.

Both my wife and I feel that the compulsory purchase of the land in question would be a serious injustice to St. Rita's and the Holy Family church and ask you take note of our strong objection to this proposal.

Yours faithfully

T M Jenkins