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East Devon District Council
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9th January 2017

Dear Sirs,

Sports Field Proposal - Ottery Moor Lane, Honiton

I am given to understand that East Devon District Council wish to obtain a parcel of land adjoining the Church of the Holy Family and St. Rita's Centre in Honiton to be used as a football field.

I am writing to inform you that I completely disagree with this proposal based on the following reasons:

1. Access for traffic to and from this proposed site and parking would be a major problem.
2. Traffic, parking and noise from football matches would cause a significant disturbance to the residents in Ottery Moor Lane.
3. Football matches on this site would be a major interference to peaceful prayer and worship at the Church of the Holy Family and St. Rita's Centre.
4. Large numbers of people come to stay at St. Rita's from all over the world as it is a renowned Retreat and Conference Centre, it's particular appeal being that it is a place of tranquillity and a place for quiet reflection. Having football matches in its vicinity, with the consequent disruptive noise that would occur would be very destructive to the ethos of St. Rita's.
5. The number of visitors to St. Rita's would decrease, thereby reducing the use of Honiton town's facilities which would be detrimental to the local economy.
6. East Devon District Council already has land from the Augustinian Order which is being used as a football field. Is this is no longer adequate? If not, there are other parcels of land in the Honiton area which, in all probability, would be much more appropriate for use as a sports field.

Yours faithfully,



Berta Madden (Mrs)