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EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL ECONOMY			
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Dear Sir / Madam

It has recently come to my attention that the council wish to obtain the field outside the Holy Family R.C. church and in front of St Rita's centre for football matches. I find the whole concept outrageous. People go to church for quiet reflection & prayer and not to listen to the noise of a football match in progress not far from the church door and what about the times when weddings - funerals take place & the solemn days of Good Friday etc? St Rita's is a retreat centre for people who wish to reflect in a quiet tranquil place away from the bustle and bustle of ^{the} day life and a source of much needed funds for the monks there. It seems more and more that people who wish to follow a Christian life style are constantly side lined.

You already use one third of St Rita's land for football and this creates problems with parking in Overy Moor Lane, can only imagine the chaos if more ^{football} pitches in that area were provided.

Its a great pity when all the housing estates were being built & the individual estates also, that you didn't factor in football fields then I am sure the great & good in the football world could help you purchase land for a football field somewhere else.

Yours faithfully,