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To: Planning Policy
Subject: Local plan proposals for Lymptstone parish

I write to object to the planned proposals for Lymptstone parish - the preferred sites in whole or individually would impact considerable on this small village. Yet again, no proper thought is given to the impact should proposals would cause; the loss of high quality agricultural and (note the enhanced consideration in the draft NPPF towards best and most versatile land), the loss of biodiversity (at a time when protection and net gain is at the forefront of any proposal), designated land and green wedge, the impact on the school, surgery, local highway network etc. The need for 171 homes is totally unjustified. It should also be noted that recently the Prime Minister scrapped compulsory house-building targets, making the targets merely advisory. East Devon will now be allowed to build fewer houses if they can show that hitting the advisory targets would change the character of the area. Whilst I don't agree with the second new town proposal and yet another abomination in massing and poor design (lessons should be learnt from Cranbrook), 171 homes increasing the village by some 30% is unjustified and will likewise change the character of this beautiful village substantially. The neighbourhood plan was voted by local people and was clear that large scale housing and the loss of the village characteristics was not supported. **Michael Gove has stated that "new development must have the support of local communities"**. It is paramount that we protect this village otherwise it will be clearly lost into Exmouth. **The village does not want this scale of new housing.**

Kind Regards
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