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I am having trouble with you on line system so making comments by email ....

I feel there has been little public consultation. Asking real people about where they live and the services to support them? Also planning is about getting things connected, people communities, sharing skills, growing food together, celebrating growing and other gifts from nature together.

About enabling people to connect by foot, cycle and public transport. Are these truely in place anywhere to consider developing further??

Have you considered people having the need for community and growing their own food in collective gardens and orchards.

The need for housing can be looked at in different ways within community, so people feel engaged with the place and nature they are part of.

This is not mentioned.

Planning is all about connectivity. With eachother our needs, our green spaces, wildness and true vision for a common future of shared outcomes.

Conncting people to the source of their food is profound. Most of your highlighted green and yellow areas are where we should have community orchards and gardens. LOOK AFTER THE PEOPLE ALREADY LIVING THERE. more little isolated boxes will just bring pain, so bring joy by having community growing all around and in the towns. You know really in your heart and gut that that is truely the best way for East Devon to move forward.....

Flooding issues..., perhaps wise to keep coomunity growth in the smaller country side locations of villages where communities need to be large enough for their own community shop, pub, school etc.

Transport is key to liberating our young people. I have been going to public and political talks to express this...

A free bus is provided im the summer to hotspot around Sidmouth.

What if this was replicated between Seaton and Ottery St Mary.... loads of nature and wilder areas would become assessable to people, reduce road usage and give people the freedom to connect, travel to work or see friends.

Please please get current infrastructure better and have a longer term vision..... the next 7 generations... does what you are proposing allow for that.

You need to put your hand on your heart and truely believe yes before you take a next step.

Many thanks for including this

Tessa