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Representations by C G Fry & Son Ltd on behalf of Mr & Mrs D Cowling

**Dear Sirs** 

C G Fry wishes to make the following comments in respect of the above proposed allocation. We keep these comments necessarily short to focus on the key points knowing you will be inundated with representations.

C G Fry supports the inclusion of Hawkchurch as a Service Village capable of supporting limited new development. Such new development is the lifeblood of smaller settlements and helps to support local services and facilities which are, in the case of Hawkchurch, the primary school, public house and village/community shop. Such new development is often promoted by landowners themselves or SME housebuilders such as C G Fry and the quality of development and quality of local engagement around its delivery is highly likely to be far superior to larger PLC/volume housebuilder schemes. Schemes like this support the SME sector and support the delivery of high quality local open market and affordable homes.

C G Fry has instructed a technical team to assess Hawk\_01 and those investigations confirm that the site is suitable, available and deliverable and has no obvious constraints beyond the matter of phosphates in the River Axe SAC catchment. Studies undertaken include preliminary drainage assessment, foul drainage assessment, wider utilities assessment, ecological assessment, landscape assessment work on physical access into the site and wider connectivity. C G Fry can see no practical reason why this proposed allocation should not proceed and C G Fry looks forward to engaging with the Hawkchurch community to deliver a high-quality housing-led scheme. C G Fry would also be delighted to engage with Officers to discuss and share the evidence base at the appropriate juncture.

For now, C G Fry looks forward to the allocation being retained in the emerging LP.

Kind regards,

**David Lohfink** 

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