From: Rosemary Seymour

**Sent:** 01 January 2023 14:38 **To:** Planning Policy

**Subject:** To the planning committee regarding West Hill proposed Village boundary change

## Dear Sir

I am lucky enough to live in West Hill, a village with lots of trees and space ,with about 900 homes radiating from the centre. There is good community spirit and friendly residents. Our quality of life here is going to be eroded if East Devon council surreptitiously change the village boundary which can then have minor changes made to include many more areas to be inside the village for building purposes . The roads on West Hill many of which are single track are totally inadequate to cope with more traffic, they often have no footpaths and poor visibility on many twists and turns.

During building works as in the case of the build in The Birches Lower Broad Oaks Road there were as many as 20 cars on any one day. School children have to walk to and from the school bus points in the semi dark and this would be even more dangerous with yet more houses if they are built.

The local school is already unable to take all the village children and the doctors, dentists and hospitals are unable to cope with the number of residents needing their services.

The water on West Hill comes from bore holes which are tested by summer demands and sewage is already a problem for the water company and would only be made worse by large numbers of future residents. Horse and dog owners take their lives in their hands with the present traffic levels.

The green spaces of fields and woodland are the lungs of this village and amazingly good for mental health. Please keep this village as it is ,it is a jewel in the landscape where people and wildlife cohabit together ,whereas the first residents to be evicted be mass development is always the wildlife.

The fields just outside the boundaries are not within walking distance from the heart of the village and would create more traffic. East Devon is ,to quote ,an outstanding place, please help to keep West Hill that way too.

I also register my objections in this to Morris homes 22/2533/ MOUT in Oak Road as part of the above which will ruin the aesthetics of that beautiful road.

Mrs Rosemary A Seymour



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