

## EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL – EMERGING LOCAL PLAN – OBJECTION

I am a resident of Clyst St Mary and am writing to register my objection to a) the proposal for approx. 78 homes within the Bishops Clyst Parish Council area and b) the proposals for a new town described as Options 1, Option 2 and Option 3. There should be a fourth option “none of the above” which I would support.

a) Clyst St Mary has already added ( or planning permission granted ) 158 homes since 2018 and a further increase cannot be justified in my view, particularly as no housing need has been demonstrated. I live in the lower part of Clyst St Mary village and have experienced at first hand the effects of an aged and inadequate sewage system that serves the whole Parish as well as other Parishes to the north i.e. Clyst Honiton, Rockbeare and Cranbrook. I and my neighbours have had enough of main sewer hydraulic overload causing manhole covers to lift and sewage overflow into roads and domestic gardens. There is a serious lack of investment by SWW I will strongly object to any development until the totally inadequate infrastructure is rectified and services, such as sewage is fit for purpose and robust.

b) The proposed new town would have to use the A3052 as its major road link which is totally unacceptable as this road is already recognised as being up to its capacity. The roundabout at Clyst St Mary is the cause of major traffic holdups and access by villagers is almost impossible on occasions. I cannot support any development, either the proposed new town or any other development which will have to use the A3052 and Clyst St Mary roundabout without major road improvements and new routes.

But simply I object because:

1. To locate a new town within a couple of miles of the existing new town makes no sense.
2. The infrastructure cannot cope with the existing pressures let alone any other development or new town.
3. The existing highway network is at capacity and could not cope with any additional development without major new road investment.

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