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To all East Devon Councillors, and Administrative Officers,

**EDDC Public Consultation concerning housing developments in the area of Meeting Lane, Strawberry Hill, Wotton Lane, and others sites.**

I am probably wasting my breath here, but I am going to give it a go.

Of course, it goes without saying that to live in a village like Lympstone is a privilege, and many would like to be able to do so. But, the collateral damage to that experience will be changed beyond recognition if planning permissions are given to the proposals being discussed at this time in our history.

I live at the T junction at the base of Strawberry Hill, my home forms the SE corner of that junction. Now at least two cars are parked regularly in front of Aggies Orchard, which is opposite and its property boundary is the lane down to The Mill. Alongside my house, on Long Meadow Road, there is a dotted line from the T junction, and a couple of spaces before and after the amenity seat for two cars to park. When cars are there it is extremely dangerous for the residents of The Mill to access onto the main road...their vision is restricted by parked cars.

There are no pavements, so parents walking with their children, some on scooters, tricycles or bicycles have to weave in and out of these parked vehicles. Older children often, and rightly so, are walking on their own to school. I AM JUST WAITING FOR A FATALITY TO HAPPEN one morning or afternoon.

Cars come down Strawberry Hill fast wanting to get to wherever they need to be as quickly as possible, and cars are coming at similar speeds to drop off their children at the school if they live outside the actual village.

Most people if they are going to Exmouth exit Lympstone by the Saddlers Pub as it is traffic light controlled ...it is an exceedingly dangerous exit to turn right at the brow of the hill at the top of Strawberry Hill and Meeting Lane. It's relatively safe to turn left, but less safe to turn right, even if you know that there will be a gap in the traffic when the light is red at The Saddlers Pub. But, it is my opinion that the minority of residents towards the top of Strawberry Hill turn right at this junction, they come down Strawberry Hill.

So, with a proposed considerable number of houses to be built in the Meeting Lane/Strawberry Hill area poses a significant, if not impossible situation at the T junction where I live.

Lympstone is a lovely place to live, and I understand that people will want to do so; but, the roads in this situation cannot support it. The people who park their cars on the road are living in homes that were built before cars were invented, and were then mostly cottages for workers on the local farms etc.

What Lympstone needs in this area, is an area where those people can legitimately park their car on an allotted space, as its possible in the car park down in the centre of the village.

So there is absolutely a serious situation here that has to be addressed before any further building can take place in the parish of Lympstone. This includes Wotton Lane and Courtlands Lane. but at least these two have traffic light controlled access points. THERE SHOULD BE ONE at the top of Strawberry Hill where there are many more dwellings than either of these two Lanes.

Yours faithfully,

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