From: Nigel Francis

Sent: 10 November 2022 12:42

To: Planning Policy

Cc: West Hill Parish Council

Subject: East Devon local plan - West Hill

Categories: Reg.18 consultation

Dear Sir/Madam,

This email is concerning the proposed development of field WH06 on the East Devon local plan for West Hill.

We live at 9 Perrys Gardens, West Hill which backs onto the field.

There are 2 points we would like to make.

- 1. The plan shows the whole field to be part of the development land but there is a protected copse and oak tree in the north eastern corner. Is it the council's view that this area will be cleared if detailed planning is passed for the 27 houses proposed by the developers?
- 2. Though we have only been here since June 2022, it has been brought to our attention that the field WH06 has a flooding issue in the south eastern corner. The owners of the field dug trenches across the field to relieve this problem and promptly moved the water to the back of nos. 8,9,10 and 11 Perrys Gardens. This flooded the rear of gardens of 9 and 10. There is evidence to prove this.

Since this time, it is our understanding that following consultation with councils and the local MP, the fields owners reluctantly filled the trenches in. Hopefully this has stopped the rainwater problems to the back of our homes but this still means there is a flooding issue in this field.

As there is a proposal for 27 houses on field WH06, there must have been a survey done on this site concerning the copse, the oak tree and the flooding problems. Is it possible to share the report with us and a layout of the new housing development please?

Many thanks Nigel and Angie Francis

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