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## **REF:** LP\_Exmou\_03- Land at bottom of Bapton Lane - Arguments Against:

'We refer to the strip of land at the bottom of Bapton Lane, Exmouth. We have lived in Springfield Road, Exmouth for over 17 years. Our garden backs on to this strip of land. We would like to express our concerns if this land were to be made available to the public. The area is separated from Valley Park due to the steam running between the two areas, therefore this area is very secluded and not overlooked. We would lose privacy to our garden, as it's very isolated this could have an impact to the security of our properties also. There are regular gatherings of youths in Valley Park, and regular activity of drug use. We do not feel vulnerable as the stream and the land separates our property to the park. We feel this would become more appealing to youths and encourage more of this kind of unwanted behaviour on the proposed strip of land (very secluded) and adding to an existing problem. We would feel extremely vulnerable as residents living here if it was to become a public space. This would have a negative impact on both security and privacy to our property and we feel it would reduce the value of our property. How would this area be monitored? The area is very narrow and not very long, therefore limits the use of activities such as ball games and walking. We feel concerned it would encourage dog walkers to allow their dogs to foul without clearing up their mess; this is already a big problem in nearby secluded areas - especially in the lane running alongside Greenfingers Garden Centre. The land is currently used as a domestic garden, and has always been regularly tendered and looked after. We would be happy for this to continue, and / or only support the possibility of a single dwelling being built at the Bapton Lane entrance, as this would protect the residents privacy and security. Please takes our concerns into consideration.'

*PS We have tried to submit the above comment on the East Devon Local Plan Commonplace site, however this has not appeared on the responses - despite confirming our comments from your email, hence the reason for sending this via email.* 

With kind regards

Mr & Mrs Grumbt

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