

Name & address:

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Date:

Dear Sir or Madam,

**Dorset Council Draft Local Plan (Preferred Options) Public Consultation – January 2021**

I wish to object to the inclusion of land to the North of Dorchester as a preferred option for housing development under policy DOR13 in the Local Plan consultation.

A housing development of the proposed scale (4000+ houses) and the resultant increase in population would have a severe impact on Dorchester's services and infrastructure. Dorchester does not have the capacity to absorb \*\*% of the Government's housing target for Dorset.

The lack of connection between this site and the town centre would cause an increase in traffic and parking problems, and the likely increase in the population of elderly people would put significant strain on our Hospital, health and social care services.

The proposed road link through the development is neither a 'northern bypass' nor the sort of road for a residential area with a school, but is likely to be a rat-run. Other sites, such as Crossways, have better connections with Dorchester than this satellite town north of the floodplain.

Other comments:

Yours sincerely,