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Hello

I am writing to express my despair and opposition to yet more planned housing developments, this time behind Highmoor Park.

It is staggering that apparently every application for new properties in the Ribble Valley is now approved, regardless of the fact that green belt land is usually chosen. I keep up to date with national housing issues and indeed my employer owns several companies that specialise in providing rental accommodation and houses for vulnerable adults. I am therefore aware of the acute need for more housing stock to help people get on the property ladder and build a better future for themselves.

However new housing should be developed where the need is greatest - for example our children have both moved to London but have no chance of affordable accommodation. Houses should be built where the jobs are, not on green belt land that was designated for a specific purpose. Developers should be forced to focus on these areas (i'm aware stipulations exist to provide a mix of property types but that is not the issue here, the issue is location).

There are additional concerns over the chronic lack of appropriate infrastructure to cope with the vast, sprawling estates already in build without adding hundreds more houses in inaccessible areas with roads, schools and services that simply won't cope.

I travel widely and people are inevitably jealous when they hear I live in the Ribble Valley as they have seen for themselves what a jewel this area is - that is rapidly changing and this town is becoming like so many other congested, cramped and deteriorating places to live.

Surely we're not alone in this view ?

Kind regards

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