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Dear Mr Hirst

Thank you for your letter regarding the Development Plan - Additional Housing Sites. I understand the pressures that the government is putting on local councils to increase the availability of housing. I am aware that many new houses are being built in the Ribble Valley. I am very concerned with the apparent complete absence of significant development of the infrastructure needed to service such a large number of new properties.

Where is the expansion of the road network?

Getting in and out of Clitheroe at busy times is now ridiculously slow.

Where is all the new population going to work, few new jobs in the Ribble Valley?

Where is the expansion of medical facilities?

GP surgeries, ambulance provision?

Where is the expansion of schools?

Where is the development of sewage systems?

We are told that our systems are inadequate.

Why are developers not required to include green energy facilities and rainwater collection in new developments?

We are short of energy and clean water will be in short supply in the coming years.

Where is the expansion of the fire service?

Are we really short of Housing? Developers are finding it difficult to sell the new houses. Housing prices have been static for years.

If we are to continue to expand the housing supply then developers must be forced to assist with significant expansion of the infrastructure.

Yours sincerely

