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**Subject:** Development on Clitheroe Royal Grammar School land at Highmoor Farm.

Having studied the proposed RVBC's request to widen the existing settlement boundaries for Highmoor Farm, we wish to make the following comments to the Council.

First of all, why oh why, do we need anymore houses in Clitheroe and the Ribble Valley? As you travel along the roads coming into Clitheroe, there are a plethora of bright yellow signs pointing out the way to very many new developments. Virtually, without exception, these properties are not for sale at 'affordable prices' (whatever this is?), and young local people are increasingly forced to rent or live out of town. Shortly the town will, we are sure, have doubled in size in a few short years. Yet the essential services have not. According to our local GP, we are already short of two doctors in our practice alone. You can no longer get an appointment within a few weeks, unless you are a very real emergency.

Our schools are full and class sizes ever increasing, but perhaps this is why the Grammar School needs the revenue from the sale of this land so that they can extend their school. However, this mainly will benefit children from much further afield, and not those in Clitheroe.

Our roads are already experiencing greater and greater demand and cannot cope at peak times. Off Pendle Road the new development is for eventually 1000 properties. This on average will at least mean an extra 1,500 cars and how many more adults and children needing services, and town centre parking.

As to the proposed Highmoor Development, this will again take away our beautiful countryside and more specifically a much used and well loved walk for many years, locally known as 'Up Dickie pay Shey'!. Already the walks on the right hand side of Pendle Road are slowly being taken away as this huge development takes over. Where will be the access to the Highmoor Development site be? If it is proposed to be via the existing access to the Farm, then this will cause many problems to the residents of High Moor Park. The so called 'mini roundabout' at the junction of Pendle Road and the Inner by Pass, is already very dangerous and will be the main access points from the town centre to these two developments. Regularly there are accidents or near accidents at this junction, because of virtually non-existent road markings and poor signage, (which have both been reported to the County Council). This problem will only increase as these new houses become occupied.

Please stop this continuing over development, Clitheroe was always in an area of outstanding beauty and a great attraction for tourists. This is slowly but surely being eroded.

We do hope that RVBC will just stop and think and call a halt for the time being at least to the over development of our historic town.

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