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All new development should be zero carbon by 2025. Specific area for renewable energy development should be the corridor between Taunton, Wellington continued Bridgwater i.e. near the motorway. All existing employment sites and land should be kept. Employment and retail in our town centres could be helped by lower business rates and lower car parking charges and also more car parking and convenient car parking. Homes should be continued to be built in Taunton or thereabouts because that is where most jobs are to be found. If you build more houses in other places you have much more carbon footprint and the roads become deadlocked. Watchet and Williton should not become one place. You certainly do not want to build many more homes, especially in West Somerset. You need to allocate sites for Gypsy, Traveller and Showpeople pitches. Best use for financial contributions for developers in order are:

- 1 Schools, sustainable transport, community facilities
- 2 Designing for Climate Emergency
- 3 Accessible, adaptable, wheelchair accessible homes
- 4 Affordable housing

Also there is a need in West Somerset for more sheltered housing e.g. McArthy and Stone as there are many elderly people.

Settlement boundaries should be kept.

Williton has not got the infrastructure for new housing development. Roads are already far too busy. The only place that there could be development is on the brownfield site at the former Watchet Paper Mills. The development could include sheltered housing. The

Surgery is already under pressure and also the schools. It is very difficult to recruit doctors and nurses here. Everyone wants to live in the towns near the motorway where also there are more jobs. This must be taken into account if the Council wants the carbon footprint to be low. All new houses should be built with solar panels if possible and near jobs.

Sincerely

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