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Dear Mrs Shepherd

Bishops Lydeard and Cothlestone Neighbourhood Plan

We have read the plan with great interest as we are residents of one of only two houses which face the Hither Mead site. (Nos 48 & 50).

We congratulate and thank the members of the Neighbourhood Planning Committee who have given their time to this Plan and we feel it reflects residents aspirations and concerns which were raised at the monthly meetings, of which we attended quite a few.

We felt the Figure 5.3 Schematic Diagram illustrating Policy H3 and H5 criteria gave us a good understanding of what it may look like and seemed to be the best we could hope for as we realise we have to have the housing. However we do have concerns after reading point 9 of Policy H3 Housing Setting and Open Space which says "Consideration should also be given to the possible provision of a skate park and other facilities for young people." We think this consideration should be carefully planned rather at the beginning than at the end as it would have to be placed in a suitable area of the scheme away from housing as is not just the visual effect but the noise that goes along with it. The Children's Play Area on the diagram across the

road from our property at the back of the proposed site may be acceptable but a Skate Park nearer to the road would give us grave concerns.

We do hope the village accepts the plan and do hope residents realise they cannot stop the housing development.