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I wish to comment on the councils replacement local development plan and object to it.
My name is Mrs E. Owen [REDACTED]

My husband (same address), would also like to add these objections to previous comments he has already submitted.

Recently, a significant quantity of raw sewage was surfacing and pooling under the railway bridge at Fontygary. This is not the first time this has occurred. It is also becoming a more frequent occurrence. We believe it was then overflowing in front of the chip shop and onto the grass towards Fontygary Park.

Welsh Water's response to this was to blame the Vale of Glamorgan Council. They stated that the Vale Council were aware that the present sewage system is beyond capacity and that at times of high tide and heavy rain the system cannot handle the quantities of sewage entering the system. They stated that they are authorised to release raw sewage into the sea at Fontygary Bay at these times. They stated that while the Council continues to approve further building works with subsequent sewage entering the present system the situation will only further deteriorate.

Knowing this I believe that councillors have been irresponsible to allow any development (such as the new college at Rhoose Airport) before a new sewage system is put in place.

Given the public health risks of allowing sewage to overflow in this way, by making recommendations or decisions which will considerably worsen the situation, surely councillors and planning officers are deliberately exposing themselves to legal action. My main concern here is however the health risks needlessly increasing to the public.

I therefore object to any future developments in Rhoose until such time as a new sewage system is in place and has been given time to prove to work effectively.

We would also request that a member of the planning department reply to us by email and answer two questions:

1. Are they ignorant of the sewage backup/ capacity problems in Rhoose?
2. If they are aware of the current sewage problem how can they recommend any further building development in the Rhoose area?

Mrs Eve Owen & Mr H. Owen.

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