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I wish to submit the following for the meeting on Tuesday at the Wesley Church. I will attend the meeting and put my question in person. I have no objection to my details being made known.

Once again, the residents of Saltash are being asked to rally around to save and protect their green spaces.

Not many years ago, supermarket Sainsbury's was seen off in their attempt to acquire land in the centre of the town on Warfelton field. No Aldi is attempting the same tactic. These outlets have all but destroyed our town centres now they seek to build on our green spaces. This is a dangerous precedent.

They aim to offer customer choice. With three such outlets in the local vicinity is there any need for yet another one. Should this site be developed there will be no choice for local users. it will be lost forever, their property values badly hit. Will they be compensated?

Society is becoming ever aware of the pernicious effects of social media on our young people. Providing them with alternative activities such as team sports and areas to burn off their energy is surely to be encouraged. Not all open spaces in Saltash are available for this type of activity. Nor are they evenly distributed. Where is a similar site to be found in the vicinity?

There is talk of an all weather pitch: these are costly to hire, maintain and repair, they require management and advanced booking. They do not cater for the person who simply wants to walk their dog after work, young lads wanting a scratch game of football/ cricket or families a picnic area in summer. Nor do these facilities accommodate all types of sport.

The alternative site being considered for this is the local Comprehensive situated at the far edge of town . It has no changing or toilet facilities. Access is limited for both cars and pedestrians.

I am not against Aldi but consider the proposal badly located. I urge a rethink.

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