To the Honourable Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in

Parliament assembled.

The Humble Petition of the people of Torridge and West Devon

Sheweth

That traditional coastal communities in Torridge are under serious threat from a unique combination of factors including physical isolation, high levels of deprivation, lack of investment, expensive and unsuitable housing development, spiralling house prices coupled with a lack of affordable housing, the outward migration of local families and young people, low wages and the environmental challenge of coastal erosion and flooding risk.

Wherefore your Petitioners pray

That your honourable House should urge the Government to safeguard the future of coastal communities in Torridge by ensuring a fair measure of public investment in their regeneration, and by putting in place a national planning and policy framework that gives much greater emphasis to the genuine consultation of local communities and appropriately recognises the special character, value and vulnerability of coastal villages and towns.

And your Petitioner(s), as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

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