SAVE DUNCAN DOWN FROM HOUSE BUILDING. HELP OUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN.

Once it's under concrete you will never see it again.

We, the residents of Whitstable Kent, object to Canterbury City Council Draft Proposal SHLAA 001 and 001a to build 300-400 homes on Duncan Down.

The site is an important Nature site for many amphibians, birds, hares, foxes fish etc. The site has Four Village Greens in and around the site. We do not agree with this sites proposal we reject it totally.

There is an alternative site, 25 METRES AWAY, SHLAA 135, opposite Duncan Down, at Golden Hill, CCC members and officers have rejected this site.

The owners of this site are prepared to supply £1 million pounds to enable Duncan Down to be SAVED from house building and ENHANCED for the Whitstable and surrounding community.

The owner of SHLAA 135 would consult with the Friends of Duncan Down and the local Whitstable community on how they would like the money spent.

Some suggestions might be play areas for younger and older children or a "meeting" place for young parents and children. Perhaps an area dedicated for camping for local organisations such as Scouts and Guides. A early learning centre', with the ability to allow children and adults through an Allotment area how our food is grown. These are just some suggestions.

Additionally an animal welfare area to show and allow some participation on how our animals are farmed and managed and the alternative methods used to show there is always a choice. Naturally, all projects would be biodiversity friendly.

Canterbury City Council's own Sustainability Appraisal on SHLAA 001 DUNCAN DOWN states- the site 001-001a; "Very Sensitive Site regarding biodiversity Benacre Woods running through the centre of the site is designated as a LWS, as is the woodland to north-west of site. THIS IS SIGNICANT and DIFFICULT TO MITIGATE" Yet CCC Members and Officers have proposed this beautiful example of nature as "THEIR" Proposed Housing Site for Whitstable.

The Property Company, Devine Homes on their Web Site state-; "Duncan Down is our next development." WE are told by CCC officers and Members this is a CONSULTATION matter and NO decision made yet. Devine Homes does not accept that Whitstable residents have a say, YOU DO... sign here-;