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Dear Victoria Asimaki,

I should like to comment on the draft Canterbury District Local Plan to 2040.

My concern is one of the main proposals, the new major housing development at Blean, north of the University of Kent.

This proposal has already provoked great antagonism and I am one of those who strongly object to the construction of so many houses in this location. It will destroy an area of natural beauty, will cause additional congestion to an already over stretched road system, and will have a negative effect on existing houses in the neighbourhood.

The problem is that the whole of the Canterbury area is at breaking point as regards infrastructure. There is really nowhere that is suitable for significant additional housing development. If it is truly necessary from a national perspective to add so much housing stock, then the government should consider a separate "new town" development, where adequate provision could be made for road and rail transport, water, sewage and other services.

There must be other possibilities - how about Manston Airport, for instance?

With kind regards,

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