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To whom it may concern I strongly object to Policy W4 Brooklands farm development.

Farmland and countryside are being sacrificed for housing developments with what appears to be little regard for sustainability or even affordability.

Food security, bio-diversity and the environment can only be harmed by concreting over so much fertile land. It feels like our town is being suffocated by new developments.

Roads around here are already congested and building thousands more houses will cause already congested roads to become a nightmare.

### The environment

This proposal will put extra pressure on the environment.

Much of that farmland and green land helps to prevent flooding which, given the challenges of climate change, is another important reason for not building on this kind of land.

Sewage in the area is already a massive issue...locally hundreds of thousands of litres of raw sewage are already having to be dumped in the sea along our local coastline because the sewage plants are already unable to cope with the quantity being processed. Adding thousands of new houses will simply add to the unacceptable problem.

### Amenities

There will be unsustainable pressure on local amenities such as schools, shops, parking, local transport and medical provision. A an E units locally already struggle to cope with numbers and I know from personal experience the awful delays waiting to be to seen by medical staff.

Air quality will be affected by loss of green space and increase in traffic.

### Affordability

This area is being ruined by housing development projects. More houses = more money for developers and a poorer quality of life for local people.

Very little of this development, mostly 'executive houses' is aimed at local people. Our young people are already priced out of their town by second homes and air b&b businesses. With few well-paid jobs in the area, I am assuming that the people buying these houses are coming from elsewhere.

Born and bred in Whitstable, I am seriously considering moving elsewhere.

Please register my objection.

Kind regards,

Annabel Foreman