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I am writing to strongly object to the proposed development at Brooklands Farm.

This development represents a serious threat to the future of my hometown which once embarked on ,can never be reversed. Whitstable has always been

fortunate, having a marine panorama to the north and west, and a large expanse of greenwood belt to the south and east. This has already been eaten into by the Golden Hill development and the works at the Long Reach roundabout.

Brooklands Farm is a valuable area of high quality farmland, supporting a miriad of wildlife and provides a beautiful recreational area for the public. The magnitude of the proposed development, by far the biggest ever in Whitstable is nothing short of criminal vandalism. The only persons who would be in favour of this, could only be those who would profit financially from it, who are unconnected to the town, a case of lighting the touchpaper and walking away, probably with a fat cheque.

Disrupted drainage, overwhelmed sewage systems, and overcrowded road networks are already a seemingly unsolvable group of problems current residents are experiencing. It makes no sense to aggravate this.

How the already struggling healthcare and social welfare systems ,and schools are going to cope with a few thousand more people should surely be ringing alarm bells with the decision makers. With the proposals of development should come responsibility for the environment and social detriment.

Sadly, local opinion is that resistance if futile, as decisions have already been made and objections and opposition to any scheme will be disregarded and local opposition however fervent, count for nothing.

However as concerned residents, we must do the right and sensible thing and treat this ridiculous proposal with the contempt it deserves,

Yours sincerely Brian Hadler