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To Whom It May Concern

Firstly shame on the university for not managing their finances in this COST OF LIVING CRISIS & not considering the impact on the sale of C12 land on the local communities.

2000 homes would mean at least 2000 cars possibly up to 4000.

Chapter 2 Policy C12:-

TRAFFIC

Rough Common Road is currently congested . Permanent heavy traffic would increase Noise, the pollution from fumes not to mention the hidden pollution from tyres .A grave concern for Health.

The Rough Common bypass was shelved but here it is again by the back door. An upgraded road would split the village in two severing our community.

It's been suggested we should be using the bus & that Stagecoach would provide an adequate service for residents who are being asked to leave their vehicles at home.

This is a difficult one to accept as they are still cutting services. Rough Common currently has no bus service.

An alternative to the car is for people to cycle great if you are fit & healthy but not always practical for day to day living.

WATER SERVICES

Before planning is given for housing Southern Water should have in place infrastructure for providing fresh water & of course the removal of sewage. Currently we are told to expect a house pipe ban this summer & the pollution of rivers & our coastal waters is a very serious ongoing problem which the water company is failing miserably at. Surface flooding is a concern especially as we experiencing unpredictable weather patterns & the land on the development has London Clay. Who picks up the bill if the area is flooded.

The environmental strategy for the district states 'Proposals that increase the risk of flooding will be refused.'

WILDLIFE & BIODIVERSITY

No biodiversity study has been carried out on the site which is in the middle of the Blean Woods. We are being encouraged to preserve green spaces & wildlife. On the site we would loss skylarks, yellow hammers & great crested newts to name just a few.

FOOD & FARMING

As a country we should be coming more self sufficient the loss of Grade 2 &3 agricultural land makes no sense.

HERITAGE

We should be preserving our heritage for future generations - the proposal would impact many heritage assets including the Church of St Cosmus & St Damian, the remains of a Roman Village & the council should continue to protect these assets.

CHAPTER Q1 & Q2

Canterbury & District are desperate for social housing what assurances have we that on all new developments that these houses will NOT be put out to tender so that the richer London Boroughs can out bid us. This practise is not helping our local housing crisis & surely should stop.

With the overall housing numbers in our district increasing considerably as a current resident I am concerned that our hospitals are not coping with the current population. We have a shortage of GP's Dentists & many health care professionals . How is this going to be addressed?

Blean school maybe demolished & replaced but that is not addressing the bigger issue of how are the other current schools are going to cope with extra demand for places.

If parents are not to drive pupils to school how are pupils expected to be transported as I understand many parents cannot afford the bus passes.

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