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Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: Objection to Policy W4 Land at Brooklands Farm

I am writing to strongly object to the proposed development of 1400 new homes on farmland at Brooklands Farm, as detailed in policy W4.

Firstly, the current infrastructure in our community is insufficient to support such a significant increase in population. Local roads are already congested, and an influx of additional vehicles will exacerbate traffic problems, leading to increased commute times, pollution, and road safety issues. Public transport services are currently limited and would be unable to accommodate the surge in demand without significant investment and expansion, which has not been addressed in the proposal.

Furthermore, the loss of green space is a major concern. This farmland not only provides a habitat for wildlife but also contributes to the environmental and recreational value of our community. The destruction of this green belt would lead to a permanent loss of these benefits, negatively impacting the quality of life for existing residents.

The proposed site is also situated in an area with a high risk of flooding. The development will likely exacerbate this risk by increasing surface runoff, putting both the new and existing homes at greater risk of flood damage. Moreover, the local drainage systems are already under strain, and the additional burden from 1400 new homes will likely lead to more frequent and severe flooding incidents.

There is also a significant risk of increased sewerage being discharged into the sea, which would have detrimental effects on marine life and local water quality. Our current sewerage system is not

equipped to handle the additional load, leading to potential environmental hazards and public health risks.

In conclusion, this proposal will lead to severe negative impacts on our community, including inadequate infrastructure, loss of valuable green space, heightened flood risks, and environmental degradation. I strongly urge the council to reject this planning application in favour of more sustainable development practices that prioritise the well-being of both current and future residents.

Thank you for considering my objection.

Yours faithfully,

Hayley Bassett
