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I would like to register my strong objection to the Brooklands Farm Development proposed to be located in Whitstable.

Developing this site will concentrate surface water and divert into the drainage system which is already past capacity, evidenced by the regular discharges of raw sewage. The additional sewage generated from the new dwellings will exacerbate this situation.

It will lead to an increase in demand on the fresh water supply, already customers are penalised by hosepipe bans in periods of low rainfall.

It will decrease the green space compromising wildlife habitat, placing further pressure on wildlife population.

It will increase traffic and airborne pollution.

It will decrease available agricultural land, the UK already relies too heavily on imported food, decreasing capacity for UK produce is madness.

It will place additional stress on local healthcare and dentistry which is already stretched to the limit. It is extremely difficult to get an appointment with your GP.

It will place additional stress on primary and secondary education.

There will not be an equivalent increase in jobs to support active employment of the additional residents.

Whitstable has already been over developed, the definition between Whitstable, Tankerton and Swalecliffe disappeared years ago, now the small boundary between Swalecliffe and Chestfield is disappearing and Brooklands will effectively connect Chestfield with Whitstable. The small town / village nature is becoming a single urban sprawl! Enough, is enough!

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