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Dear Canterbury City Council,

I am writing to you as **I strongly object to policies W3 and W4 (Brooklands Farm) of the draft Local Plan to 2040.**

I have lived in Chestfield & Whitstable my entire life [REDACTED] and this area does not have capacity or infrastructure to allow for a development of this size.

I adore our little town and the countryside that surrounds it. A development here would be a disaster to everyone for reasons I have stated below, noting this is just stating a few:

Flooding - Chestfield is already renowned for flooding, this would significantly increase flooding at Brooklands and downstream. There are many examples where new developments connecting to drains has added to the flood risk for homes generally

Health Facilities - We cannot cope now with residents unable to get appointments due to our local services being over-stretched. How could it cope with 2000 plus more people.

Sewage - This is at its maximum now with regular releases of untreated sewage into the sea, causing instances of serious illness for people on our local beaches. A new construction of this multitude would not solve this problem only make it worse

Loss of agricultural land and open-landscape - our country life would disappear as would wildlife habitats.

I am aware that all the above topics are cliché objections whenever there is a development proposed but I cannot stress enough the enormous worry I have about this development. Our beautiful countryside and green areas are disappearing with huge effects to residents, visitors and wildlife which all the above risks stated are 100% valid. I appreciate the need for development and Whitstable & Chestfield is constantly supporting this especially in the past 2 years with vast amounts of housing estates are being built, Whitstable Heights, Grasmere Gardens, to name a few.

PLEASE do not ruin more of our beautiful town.

Yours hopefully
Susan Cox