

Mrs Katherine Funnell

Policy R7 + R8

I strongly object to this housing development for the reasons stated below:

1. Littlebourne has already had over one hundred new homes built very recently. This has already made a huge impact on the village.
2. The massive loss of grade 1 agricultural land should in itself be enough to stop this development going ahead. In this post Brexit era we as a nation need to be as self sufficient as possible. Not building houses on prime farmland.
3. To suggest that a sewage treatment plant be placed in Littlebourne to accommodate the new development is absolutely ludicrous with tankers toing and froing on the small lanes and the obnoxious smells that will inevitably arise in the summer months. This amounts to an absolutely horrendous unworkable plan.
4. The scale of the development will mean a huge area of impermeable surfaces causing a massive risk of flooding to the village and existing properties.
5. The harm to the fauna & flora in the village would be immense as nearly the whole plot is surrounded by hedgerow which is home to hundreds of birds, small mammals and insects.
6. There is no plausible infrastructure plans. No thoughts on how the village will be affected. Although nearly every aspect of this village will be affected. There are hardly any pavements on the road in and out of the village and this has not been addressed. With a 50% increase in population and traffic there could be a serious risk to life.
7. This development will drastically change the characteristics of the village. It will have an adverse effect on the landscape with views to the south being obliterated.
8. A 50% increase in population would destroy Littlebourne which is a small beautiful Historic country village and should remain that way.
9. Lastly this proposal does not meet sustainable development standards in anyway and should therefore be rejected by the council.