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I will not reiterate here the value of the area proposed to serve as the building ground of 2,000 homes and the negative impact this will have on the traffic and well being of people living or visiting this area.

I would like to focus on the characterisation of the area as ancient woodland or semi-ancient woodland. Whether or not the developer has used their own experts to de-characterised the area as "ancient" 6.12 is irrelevant. Nature England has confirmed that the proposed new settlement at Land north of the University of Kent includes two small parcels of ancient woodland. (source: Nature Environment and Open Space Topic Paper Feb 2024). The rest of the area is absolutely critical for the environment and biodiversity.

Associated with this "draft local plan" and absolutely critical and revealing is the hypocrisy of the two biggest institutions of this wonderful city which is called Canterbury, namely the CCC and University of Kent. In all their policies and documents, both institutions want to appear as feverish supporters of green spaces, promoters of the environment and guardians of nature for the future generations. And yet, with this horrendous and preposterous plan they seek to destroy one of the most beautiful places of Kent with unfathomable consequences for our children and grandchildren. How can we trust the institutions and political bodies when so blatantly they wish to undertake such catastrophic actions? There is surely a need of affordable houses in the South East but of all places to choose one of the most beautiful and historic areas is undoubtedly absurd.

I strongly oppose the above draft local plan.