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Objection to Policy W4 Land at Brooklands Farm.

Please find below a synopsis as to why I am objecting.

I know many people have written in great length and I would love to reiterate their beliefs. I would also like you to read my email to the end.

I also understand that the owner of this land sold it to a developer. I don't know their personal reasons, the saddest option would be they can not afford to run the land as a farm. The closure of more agricultural land to build yet more houses seems to be a worrying trend. This surely puts more pressure on our country to import food to feed our people as we are not producing enough of our own.

The scale of this proposed development is going to make devastating changes to our landscape, wildlife, and services.

In 2023 we had a hosepipe ban when there had been higher than average rainfall. I didn't appreciate getting emails from the water board saying one family's swimming pool is another family's drinking water. We pay for our water on a meter and if we aren't able to make the decision to use it how we wish then that is against our freedom. Putting yet more houses in the structure is going to have catastrophic repercussions. That's without getting on to waste water management. I'm sure you've heard enough about sewage too so I won't reiterate that topic.

All of the case studies people are putting forward are going to have a great impact on our area.

Flooding is another, changing land like that so drastically is going to cause major trouble for years to come. So many independent evaluations need to be made and taken seriously.

Traffic is going to be another major factor in the downfall of our town. I don't need to go into the effects of the increased number of cars. Not to mention the vehicles that will be used to build the development.

I can't begin to imagine the further impact on our schools, doctors and vets. We have already had the landscape of Whitstable changed so dramatically with the recent housing developments we can't take much more.

Please consider all of these objections carefully and do the right thing for the community. We live here and we want it to be a nice place to live. Building on rural land has got to stop.

Kind regards

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