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Dear Councillor,

I live in Tankerton and was quite shocked by the scale and invasiveness of the proposed Brooklands Farm Development Plan. I object to the proposal and hope that you reject it, and instead consider a less harmful alternative.

My objections relate to two main concerns: traffic and flooding.

There is a distinct likelihood that the amount of new traffic circulating, entering and leaving the proposed area unbalances, and in effect, ruins the character of the regions of Chestfield, Swalecliffe and Tankerton. There seems to be an absence of any traffic impact studies on most of the roads surrounding this area, when there is already a noticeable increase in traffic from several new developments that even now have made the few main communication routes clogged and less pleasant to drive. 1400 new homes at Brooklands Farm must have considerable impact in this regard.

With increasing flooding in the last years, the main road to Canterbury has been impassable, with the risk to life and stranded vehicles. It is of concern to me that 1400 homes will only create more concrete runoff (rather than less) especially on the clay soil - which itself cannot all be replaced I take it. Down-stream/brook, we have the Swalecliffe-Herne Bay Road at even greater risk of flooding and damage. Surely it behoves a plan for 1400 homes at Brooklands Farm to have a credible drainage solution available and ready, or the public (like me) feel endangered by such developments.

Thank you for your time in addressing these urgent issues.

Yours sincerely

Chris Nelson