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1/ local impacts

The local area is not suitable for additional housing - lack of suitable infrastructure such as road networks / doctors surgeries / schools and adequate water sewage .

2/ Traffic

Already the local roads are dangerous - majority of road users not adhering to speed limits - dangerous overtaking - As a rural development the roads are unsuitable !

I do not travel by bus and this proposal will not encourage me to use the buses.

Bus journeys have been cut across the district. Bus drivers are leaving in their droves.

I work in Canterbury for the Dept of Transport . Throughout the day Canterbury ring road is busy and during peak hours is gridlocked.

With proposed developments in every corner of the City Canterbury will be impossible to navigate at any time of day.

Throughout these areas the 20mph , 30mph and 40mph speed limits are ignored.

3/ Access

Accessing the proposed sites will involve building over a cycle path (crab and winkle) As a cyclist I feel vulnerable cycling on the main road - the cycle paths help with road safety - especially for the young , elderly and vulnerable . This access point is currently used by the Canterbury park run - which has been a great success in improving the local community physical, and mental wellbeing.

4/ Rural Landcsape

This will wreck the villages of Rough Common , Tyler Hill and Blean - turning the area into an extension of Canterbury and Whitstable.

It is described by the local council as having a "strong rural character " . If this succeeds then that character will disappear.

5/ Heritage

As a deeply religious person I am concerned having my local church - which is of historical significance-surrounded by the new development - not to mention the other listed buildings and Roman Villa and Tile Kilns.

6/ Wildlife and Biodiversity

I strongly object to this development being in the heart of the National Nature Reserve.

As a cyclist / walker and bird watcher - we have lots of bird and animal life that rely on the biodiversity of the area to flourish - Nightjar - skylark - buzzard - fox - badgers to name a few.

These birds and animals will cease to exist if this environment is built upon.

This is the reason I chose to live in the countryside - to be close to nature.

7/ Food and Farming

As a nation we should protect our farms and fields and encourage more food being grown -not building houses - This is quality farm land which isn't suitable for housing . This is classified as grade 2 and grade 3 agriculture land for a reason .

8/ Waste Water

During periods of high rainfall

I have seen raw sewage in neighbouring garden throughout the village of Blean .

On numerous occasions contractors have been called to pump out the excess water and sewage.

The current waste water infrastructure cannot cope.

The local coastal towns have warnings about not bathing due to raw sewage leaking into the sea -building more properties in this area will not improve this issue.

The water pressure is very poor throughout the village.

It is impossible to run water upstairs, whilst showering downstairs.

The electricity supply has been horrendous- previous Christmas the system was overloaded and many residents had power outage.

In Blean we had a generator for over 3 weeks due to another power cut .

I regularly get notifications from UK power networks about temporarily power cuts.

I have been told directly by UK power that the current electrical infrastructure is not fit for purpose.