

14th May 2024.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to raise my concerns about the proposed new 'rural settlement' planned to be built on unspoilt countryside between Blean, Tyler Hill and Rough Common.

I live on Link Road, a small, narrow road which joins Hackington road to Tyler Hill Road. I moved to this area 5 years ago and have become aware of the wildlife, biodiversity and green open spaces which it affords, all of which would be under threat from the proposed development. Wildlife and natural green space are recognised as being essential to the well-being of people and creatures alike & as such, need to be protected. Destroying rare and endangered species in the local area, including skylarks, plant life and insects, would be utterly destructive, irreversible & contrary to other policies promoted by the Council.



Also, it is obvious that traffic would be vastly increased on the already dangerous, small roads in the area despite the Council's new proposed bus policies. Such policies have never been known to be successful. Tyler Hill Road, small & windy, already struggles with traffic, and often becomes chaotic when repairs or water leaks occur. It would never cope with the extra volume of cars, lorries etc without incurring significant increased dangers. Link Road itself is totally unsuited to extra traffic. Already cars do not flow freely & pedestrians are put at risk as there are hardly any pavements. I feel that it would become congested especially at key times of the day.

I would ask you to look again at the proposal and to realise how unsuitable it is, given the inevitable increase in traffic and the devastation of the natural area involved.

Yours faithfully,

