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Dear Sir

I have had an attempt to respond to the local plan, possess university education and totally failed so the whole consultation process is likely to be flawed.

I will write an email instead and try to keep it brief:- I believe that the whole of Canterbury city area should be treated as an exception. It is not just any town but one of the top historic towns in the south east. It is already ruined by traffic jams and access and what was a well defined small town is spreading out in an amorphous and relatively ugly way. We should be able to protect it as a special case.

I also believe the wider area including Whistable Herne bay and Faversham are also drowning in new developments. I understand the need for housing but do not believe this housing is needed by local people and their families. We are being used by ? London councils to solve their problems and destroying our own area which is already densely populated. If you drive further west into West Kent and Sussex this doesn't seem to be happening so please control. The more people we bring in the more housing will be needed to serve them in 20 years. We should be fighting the figures government give us not giving in.

I also strongly reject the suggestion of development of 2000 houses on university land.

Originally the city did not think this was a good idea but now another development of 2000 has fallen through they think it is a brilliant idea!

The area in question is a corridor of farming land connecting the ancient woodlands of east and west Blean etc. It is productive land and should be protected not built on. It protects 2 smaller villages. The roads between them are narrow and winding. The roads from them into Canterbury are also congested and not the safest to drive on. The traffic problems will be severe and you can in no way prevent the people using Tyler Hill road which is a small winding rural road with 90 deg bends. It will ruin the nature of the crab and winkle way. It will ruin the historic nature of the local church. The villages are well served by the local small mini supermarket and a larger shop would change the nature of a rural community.

We already have problems with sewage but this should be managed and a full water treatment area close to Tyler Hill is a terrible prospect.

The size of the development is greatly bigger than the two small villages.

There are many more things to say but I am not sure at this stage it is necessary. I strongly oppose the proposal and hope we can argue more clearly in the future. Although I live in Tyler Hill , my home will not be greatly affected but I still feel the whole scheme is grossly excessive for the area.

I also feel the city should not inflict 2 major developments in the area with all the large lorries etc which will ensue. The reservoir is a more needed development.

Yours Sincerely

Vanessa Potter

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