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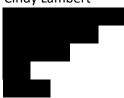
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I live in Rough Common and am deeply concerned about the proposal to build 2,000 houses which will adversely affect people and wildlife in the Blean, Tyler Hill and Rough Common villages, for the following reasons:

- a) Rough Common Road and Palmars Cross Hill are already blighted by a huge daily volume of traffic. The amount of pollution caused by exhaust fumes and tyres which break down on contact with the road surface and release toxins into the air is bad enough now. To build 2,000 houses and have Rough Common Road/Palmars Cross Hill as a major route into Canterbury is unthinkable not only for the much higher pollution this will cause and the affect it will have on people's health but also the danger to the very young and the elderly with lots of fast moving traffic on the road. It's bad enough now!
- b) With global warming so much in the headlines and the fact that we know we need to keep our green spaces for wildlife, for the good of people's mental and physical health but we also need to do this to save our planet. There are a lot of important rare and endangered species living in the woods, fields, ponds and hedgerows, the construction of 2,000 houses will destroy this biodiversity. We cannot afford to keep destroying the natural environment if this planet is to have a future!
- c) We cannot afford to lose more quality agricultural land. As a country the UK needs to be more self sufficient in growing food crops not less so. We should not be using agricultural land to build houses!



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