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I am writing to say that I strongly object to the building of 1400 homes on this land. There are currently 3 housing estates being built in the vicinity namely Whitstable Heights, Pearson Heights and Grasmere Road.

Trying to get a doctors appointment is already a struggle and the wait at the pharmacies to get a simple prescription is ridiculous.

Dentists are also full already.

Swalecliffe Sewage Treatment had lots of sewage spills on to our beaches last year and cannot cope with the amount of houses we already have.

Traffic is a nightmare, trying to get out of Church street on to the A2990 is hazardous now without more traffic pouring out on to it.

There will be an increase in pollution and even if more people invest in electric cars where is the power coming from to charge them and fuel the new houses. The weight of these cars is also substantial and our roads are in a deplorable state already.

There appears to be no extra facilities of benefit to residents planned.

There are already plans to build on Church Street Playing Fields and as a need for the special needs school is obvious there are better locations available.

There will be an extreme loss of habitat for wildlife, bird numbers have declined over the years that we have lived in Whitstable, we no longer see Jay's woodpeckers or any of the finches that were regular garden visitors.

With increased population comes a need for more food and yet this development will forever ruin the farmland it is to sit on.

None of the houses being built will benefit the less well off as they are all sold to private individuals or to landlords to rent out at ridiculous rents.

It is on these accounts that I object to this development.

Regards J. Edwards