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Dear Madam/Sir,

I am responding as a former resident, now a frequent visitor to the Canterbury District.

The comment below is in response to Chapter 1 of the Council's Local Plan

I voice my dissent against the suggestion to build a new town of 2,000 houses on rural land north of Canterbury. Public services are already stretched thin by the existing housing in the district. The area between Blean and Tyler Hill, known for its status of SSI, rural character, valuable farmland, importance for biodiversity, and lack of access without new roads, is not the right place for the construction of 2,000 homes. A critical weakness of the plan is its lack of explicit mention that policy C12 aims to transition rural land into urban areas.

Below is a response to Chapter 2, Policy C12

Scrutinizing the Plan, it's challenging to envision the proposed development as anything but a car-dependent neighborhood, necessitating road construction, increased traffic flow into Canterbury, and a deterioration in quality of life due to noise and air pollution. The existing narrow rural roads are ill-equipped to handle the additional traffic generated by the thousands of planned residences. There is an absence of evidence suggesting that campaigns to encourage more people to take the bus in the Canterbury district have been fruitful, casting significant doubt on the notion that such measures will help mitigate traffic problems. The C12 proposals conflict with the "2021 Land Character Assessment", which any current or future "Local Plan" should be grounded upon. The suggested development goes against policy SS1.10, as it is encompassed by various sections of the "National Nature Reserve", home to numerous rare and endangered species. As per the SS1.10 regulation, the Council will continue to collaborate with associates to broaden and improve the connectivity of the "Blean Woodland Complex". However, this development plan would render connectivity impossible. The proposed project would harm the local wildlife and biodiversity, which are extremely crucial to me and my loved ones.

Best regards,

Anamaria Buescu