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I am responding as a resident of the Canterbury District.

I voice my opposition to the suggested plan for constructing a new township comprising 2,000 residential units on rural terrain situated north of Canterbury. The existing housing within the district already exerts substantial strain on public amenities. The identified area between Blean and Tyler Hill, characterized by its rustic charm, fertile agricultural lands, ecological significance, and accessibility challenges without the development of new roadways, is an unsuitable location for the erection of 2,000 dwellings.

Examining the Plan, it's challenging to envision the proposed development as anything but a car-reliant community, necessitating road construction, increased traffic flow into Canterbury, and a deterioration in quality of life due to noise and air pollution. All current roads are narrow rural routes, ill-equipped to handle the additional traffic generated by the thousands of planned residences. No proof exists that efforts to boost bus ridership in the Canterbury district have been fruitful, making it highly questionable to claim such measures will alleviate traffic congestion. The C12 proposals clash with the "2021 Land Character Assessment", which should serve as the foundation for any current or future "Local Plan". The suggested development contradicts policy SS1.10, as it is encircled by various sections of the "National Nature Reserve" harboring numerous rare and endangered species. The Council's SS1.10 guideline specifies that it will collaborate with associates to broaden and enhance the interconnectivity of the Blean Woodland Complex. However, this proposed construction would render connectivity unattainable. The suggested development would be detrimental to wildlife and biodiversity in our local area, which holds immense significance for me and my loved ones.

I sincerely hope that sense will prevail and that this ill thought-through proposal will not process any further.

Sincerely yours
Chloé Gallien

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