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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to OBJECT to the plans for developing the site on Brooklands Farm.

I live in Tankerton and am horrified to see the huge numbers of new houses being built in and around Whitstable, with absolutely no thought of the consequences of all these developments on the environment and on local people, in years to come.

My reasons for OBJECTING are as follows:

More houses means more need for water, which we are always short of in summer months.

More houses means more sewage! The sewage companies cannot cope with the current population needs, let alone hundreds of thousands more people living in the area (with current developments and planned developments)

More houses will lead to more sewage being discharged into the sea. I love swimming in the sea and moved here some time ago especially for that reason. Very many local people love sea swimming but endless sewage discharges are it unsafe.

More houses equals more cars = more pollution.

Loss of the lovely countryside around Whitstable, which keeps us sane in this busy, overcrowded world!

Loss of local wildlife, more small animals becoming extinct, thus affecting the whole eco system.

More houses means more demand for medical services. We already have to wait 3 weeks to see our GP. Our nearest hospital is in Margate. If you're unlucky enough to need A&E you can expect to wait in excess of 10 hours. Imagine tens or hundred of thousands more people round here, how on earth would medical services cope? They wouldn't!

Stop this short term thinking, it's disastrous. Stop being so compliant to the wishes and demands of big developers who make vast sums of money and have no interest in the needs and wishes of local residents. In a local democracy it's vital that local voices are heard and accepted. Otherwise it's not a local democracy at all.

Yours faithfully
Geraldine Ferguson