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Hello,

I would like to register my opposition to this development in the strongest possible way.

My objections relate to these key concerns:

- 1: Disruption to the landscape. This development will ruin the beautiful landscape in this area that has evolved gradually over hundreds of years.
- 2: Negative effect on wildlife. I cycle to work from Whitstable through this area all the time. I have heard nightingales, seen badgers, owls, buzzards etc. I think all of these creatures will be driven away by the development, the extra people and the cats, dogs and cars that accompany them.
- 3: Traffic. Canterbury is already strangled by traffic. Encouraging more people will make the traffic even worse, damaging the health and quality of life of local people.
- 4: Sewerage. The local beaches are already blighted by human waste. More people will put more pressure on n these services.
- 5: Local services. A development of this size requires local services to be strong. Well, they are falling apart at present. Waiting times for doctors, dentistry etc etc will be worse.

Building more houses is not the solution to the housing crisis. People need to be encouraged to downsize. There are too many elderly people living in huge houses with multiple spare rooms. Stop houses being used for air b and b. Etc etc. Please try to be more imaginative! This development is an awful idea and only being considered because the University of Kent us practically bankrupt.

Yours,

Matthew