

(Thu 30/05/2024 09:34)

To Canterbury City Council,

Having been a resident of Canterbury for just over ■ years (I was also born and bred in Kent and have lived here for my whole life), I STRONGLY object to the development planned for Blean and many others for the following reasons:

#### Wildlife and Biodiversity

The area is a large wildlife habitat, the loss of these wildlife habitats are extremely bad for genuine biodiversity and nature in general (and therefore us). Surely (because of what is said via the local plan), this is against this document as you state how important it is to connect up areas of woodland and to protect and promote its wildlife.

This will mean permanent destruction of the rural nature of the valley of the Swalecliffe Brook, which provides the unofficial Green Belt between urban Whitstable and The Blean. (Why has CCC not provided this with protected status?)

#### Rural Landscape

The Council's own landscape character assessment describes the area as 'strong rural character' as it has woods, orchards, meadows and farmland which should not be destroyed.

#### Water

This development will increase flooding in the area and at the same time, cause more risk of drought in an already very water stressed district.

#### Traffic

This will cause a huge increase in traffic, and the whole of South East Kent has enough already and will cause many more problems, i.e gridlocks and more pollution.

#### Local Amenities (For example, GP appointments, schools etc.)

These are already severely under stress and more (unwanted or needed houses) will just add to this problem.

#### University Covenants?

The university land was compulsory purchased by the council specifically for the build of the university back in the late 50's 60's. Were there any covenants put in place? The university is basically a business now.

Additionally I feel that it will definitely cause mental health problems, as I am already getting very sad and angry about it. I don't want to live in a highly built up, highly populated area with little open countryside, which sadly South East Kent is becoming.

Lastly, I would really like to know who these houses are actually going to be for?

(Tue 28/05/2024 16:41)

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#### Food and Farming

The area is of a significant size which is prime arable and agricultural land which we just cannot afford to lose for the future (for reasons that are hopefully obvious).

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Generally, the development is not sustainable (it's described as a 'car dependent development') and will cause many problems in the area.

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Kind regards,

Louise Harrison

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