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Good Morning Consultations Department,

I have been a resident of Chestfield for nearly [REDACTED] years. We moved from Maidstone because we were really impressed by the rural feel, the perceived value placed on maintaining a diverse mix of villages and towns, each with their own unique identity. The proximity to the beach and Canterbury city were also a draw and the abundance of green space and wildlife. During this [REDACTED] year period we have had to absorb the relentless change that has been imposed upon us despite our protestations either in writing or attending meetings with local residents to understand 'why us'. These developments at Grasmere, Greenhill, Duncan downs, Herne, Hersden, to name but a few and now these new proposals such as Brooklands Farm and Blean. We have had to endure all the extra traffic in our road for the past two years for the Greenhill development. We don't even have a pathway, and HGV lorries with seemingly no regard for signage telling them not to use the road, just hurtle down to deliver and collect.

We have enough housing here. Parts of Chestfield are deemed as a conservation area and we are supposed to be all about saving the planet, leaving the plants and trees alone, and respecting and nurturing our local environment for now and the future. As a resident I have to seek permission before making very minor changes but as a Council it seems the same rules do not apply.

What we don't have is:

- An understanding of how overdeveloped this area already is and the impact of further development.
- The ability to absorb all the extra traffic and plant lorries that are a consequence of any new development
- Required infrastructure for existing residents, yet alone a further 5,000+.
- Adequate water supplies-already necessitating in annual hosepipe bans
- Ability to treat existing sewage levels,
- Clean and safe seas and rivers for human and animal use
- Enough drain off areas as so much land being given over to housing projects.
- Adequate health care- Doctors, dentists, hospitals
- Adequate and maintained roads and pathways
- Ability to absorb yet more cars and in particular a slip road off the new Thanet way, where will all this traffic go?

When will you have the courage to stand up and say enough, we don't need any further development here. I am sending this letter as I wish to register my objections for the proposed development of Brooklands Farm in the strongest possible terms. I hope you will acknowledge receipt of this email and I pray that common sense will prevail and that permission will not be granted for this application.

Yours sincerely

Liz Robertson

