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To: Canterbury City Council Consultations.

From: Mr David Thomas,



Re: Consultation for Canterbury District Local Plan to 2040

I strongly object to polices W3 and W4(Brooklands Farm) of the draft local plan to 2040 for the following reasons:

1. This area is prone to flooding. The water runs into the Swalecliffe Brook and onto Chestfield Road, which becomes awash with water. The drains could not cope with the extra water from the urban development. At the moment the water sits on the farmland before it slowly evaporates or drains slowly into the Brook. Even so, the Brook still overflows, as it did in December 2020 and earlier this year, and floods the houses backing onto the Brook and surrounding area.
2. There are a lack of doctors and the associated infrastructure for the local residents now. With extra people living in the area the local GP's and the nearest A&E hospital at Margate will be under increasing pressure.
3. The waste water system cannot cope with the increasing demand and regularly releases untreated sewage into the sea.
4. The proposed new junction from the A299 to Chestfield Road and South Street will lead to increased traffic both towards Whitstable and Canterbury. At a time when Stagecoach are cutting back services the increasing population will inevitably resort to the car as there will be no alternative.
5. It will have a severe affect on the wildlife in the area, the loss of green space that is a haven for birds, insects and small mammals.
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7. For the reasons listed above, the proposals would be unsustainable and would contravene paragraphs 135c, 168, 173, 180b,180d and 191b of the Government's National Planning Policy Framework.