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We write to object to this proposed development for the following reasons:

1. **Threat to protected species through loss of habitat.** 2000 houses obliterating the green space between Canterbury and Blean will devastate the natural habitat of vital and protected species such as the **Nightingale, Hazel Dormouse, Skylark** and extremely rare **Heath Fritillary Butterfly**. As local residents who are passionate about wildlife preservation and the protection of habitats of our protected species, we argue that this proposal is unacceptable and runs counter to all policies agreed by the council to preserve biodiversity and our natural environments.
2. **Polution. Short term** severe polution from such a huge building site will undoubtedly impact on the stunning protected ancient woodland nature reserve. It will seriously on the health of residents such as myself with **asthma**, the large amount of elderly residents with **health issues**, also the health of young children. **Long Term polution** will be created by the **huge increase in traffic** as this will be a largely **car dependant** site.
3. **Traffic.** The 2000 house development would have feeder roads onto the main Whitstable to Canterbury road causing immense traffic issues and **polution from car exhausts** as traffic queues, and traffic jams.
4. **Blean School.** The proposal requires the demolition of Blean Primary School to create new roads. The creation of a new school on what can only be for several years a **building site** will not only effect the **Children's sensitive developing lungs** but also their **mental health**.
5. **Water.** According to the RSPB there is already an issue with water shortage at Blean Woods and surrounding area and this would be worsened by the proposed development. The National Drought Group announced Kent is to be put into official drought status. The development would put great strain on **already vulnerable water supplies**. The planned waste water treatment works would **blight the natural environment and people's properties**.

Yours sincerely

Julia French and John Donelon (Blean Village Residents)