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local plan consultation: Old Park And Chequers Wood.

1 message

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To: "consultations@canterbury.gov.uk" <consultations@canterbury.gov.uk>

I wish to comment on the Local Plan with regards to Old Park And Chequers Wood.

I am concerned about the proposed development on Canterbury Golf Course. This is likely to have a negative impact on the area, especially habitat, creating noise and activity likely to disturb the unique wildlife which Canterbury is so lucky to enjoy, i.e. turtle doves, nightingales, unique plant life. There needs to be some kind of effective buffer zone to protect the SSSI.

I am also very concerned about the **proposed Eastern bypass**. There should be measures taken to protect the SSSI. Again the SSSI needs an effective buffer zone against the disturbance caused by construction work and subsequent traffic. I believe that there is an application to Natural England to extend the conservation area, to include adjoining woods which are habitat for the turtle doves, nightingales, etc., and I trust the council, in line with its environmental policies, will support this application.

In view of the national importance of Old Park as a breeding area for turtle doves and nightingales, and also containing important archaeological sites, the Local Plan should ensure its protection and enhancement. It is an ideal location for a 'Dark Sky' zone.

I hope you will take my views into account,

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