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response to Public Consultation

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Public Consultation of draft Canterbury District Local plan to 2045 (Oct22 version).

This email is to indicate my concern regarding some of the content of the draft Canterbury District Local plan to 2045 (Oct22 version).

Overall I am pleased with the approach of adherence to garden city principles, respecting heritage areas and improvement for sustainable transport into the city centre. However, there are a few points regarding the number of new houses planned and the consequential impact on public services and increased road traffic. Although there are statements in the plan to further develop community services, I am strongly concerned that these may not be fully funded and in operation in a timely manner (based on other developments (Saxon Fields) and changes to the plan of provision of community services to support the expanded community).

I am a resident in Thanington Without. The following comments relate particarly to policy C5, C6 and C7 of the draft Canterbury District Local plan to 2045 (Oct22 version).

The Saxon Fields development is still underway and various aspects require consideration for this development before further development in the area can be considered. In particular, I refer to the building of a new health centre as well as review of the Saxon Fields development on other services in our community. I also refer to the impact of traffic on both the A28 at Wincheap and the rural lanes, which are often used as a rat run.

Before the 2045 local plan is able to be properly considered, I believe that further info is needed

- 1. the impact in the community of the development currently underway in Saxon Fields
- 2. Once the impact of point 1, is known, then additional detail is required on the provision of local services to support a further increase in homes in our community. Information on the following will be required to be provided along with detail on how it will be financed and assurances on when the provisions will be put in place - sewage treatment, healthcare, schooling, up and running hospital facilities, upgraded roads.
- 3.On the specific topic of roads, the plan indicates that Hollow Lane will be part of the south West Canterbury link road (policy C7, p35 of plan). Although the plan states an upgrade to Hollow Lane itself, the volume of traffic that will congregate near Wincheap school requires further consideration.