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Local Plan Consultation

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Re: CANTERBURY AREA DRAFT LOCAL PLAN 2020-2045 Policy C6 Land at Merton Park

Dear Policy and Strategy Team,

As a Wincheap and Canterbury resident I wish to express my strong opposition to the proposed Merton Park development.

This site is wholly unsuited for the size of project proposed. I am very concerned about the loss of our green space which was a vital lifeline to so many local people during the Covid-19 lockdowns and remains our access to the countryside. In addition, the cost to biodiversity cannot be mitigated adequately and there is a high risk of flooding downhill of this development.

Canterbury is not suited to the additional traffic created, particularly by the proposed football stadium. This will destroy the peace that is so valuable in this area.

I spend a significant amount of my free time walking the orchards and value this space as an accessible green space which is of benefit to both my physical and mental health. I do not believe that the reality of this project will see sufficient social housing to justify the loss of this green space.

Canterbury residents must be able to access the countryside. Allowing the city to sprawl out in this uncontrolled way would damage this beautiful medieval city.

Please register my opposition in the strongest possible terms.

Regards

Stephen Williams