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Proposed planning site of Bodkin farm, chestfield. policy W8 'strongly disagree'

1 message

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I am a resident of Maydowns Road, Chestfield. CT5 3LN which is an unadopted road, maintained at the expense of our residents.

I am strongly opposed to the planning application on the site of Bodkin farm of 250 homes, a local shopping centre and a new secondary school because of the following concerns.

1. There are already problems with the amount of heavy traffic on the roundabout where Swalecliffe meets the Thanet way. There is limited visibility exiting Maydowns Road and traffic turning right onto the roundabout and increased traffic will increase the amount of accidents, especially at school pick up and dropping off times. There have already been several accidents on the roundabout, this has been an accident black spot and has been raised with KCC since 2019. This will increase the risk of fatalities imensley.
2. We already have severe flooding where Maydowns road joins Chestfield road, especially after heavy rain. The proposal of and extra 250 homes plus a school and a shopping centre will only exacerbate the problem. There has been a problem with flooding for years and getting worse during recent years because the sewage infrastructure is already inadequate and cannot cope with the present demand. The increased proposed development will also put extra demand on our water supply, especially during the hot weather when in recent years, we've had a hosepipe ban.
3. As a resident of Maydowns road, I am very concerned about the extra demand that will be needed on our medical centres, especially the local Chestfield surgery. This is already under severe pressure and with proposed development of another 250 homes will only exacerbate the extra demand. We already have the construction of several housing developments under way which includes Greenhill Road, Herne Bay, Whitstable heights on the Thanet way, Moat at Grassmere Gardens Chestfield.
4. I am very concerned about the increase in noise and litter from this proposed development especially being so close to our residential road of Maydowns Road where we have a considerable amount of elderly residents. We already have the recent development of costa coffee at the end of our road, which has contributed to the Mcdonalds and KFC litter, this is within a parameter of a 3 mile radius.
5. The council itself refused a planning application for this site in 2015. The decision went to appeal and the refusal was upheld. The original reasons for refusing planning permission are still relevant today. All of these were valid then and still strong today.

kind regards,
Carol Davies.