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Local Plan Consultation

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

Dear Policy and Strategy Team,

As a Canterbury resident, I wish to express my opposition to the proposed Merton Park development. I feel that this site is wholly unsuited for the size of the project proposed. I am concerned about the loss of green space which was a vital lifeline to so many local people, myself and my family included, during the Covid-19 lockdowns. In addition, I fear the cost to biodiversity cannot be mitigated adequately and there is a high risk of flooding downhill of this development. The additional traffic created by the huge number of dwellings, as well as the proposed football stadium, will destroy the peace that is so valuable in this area. I go for a daily walk in the fields and orchards and value the site as a local accessible green space which is of benefit to both my physical and mental wellbeing. It is a green oasis in a very built up area which is poorly served with green spaces. I do not believe that the reality of this project will see sufficient social housing to justify the loss of this green space and prime agricultural land. Please register my opposition in the strongest possible terms.

Regards Mrs. Helen French