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Fordwich resident response

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Response from Sue Thompson Fordwich [REDACTED]

We, Fordwich, as a community (a very very small community) have put in many many hours to prepare a response to the draft Canterbury local Plan 2045 which I hope will be with you today.

We have walked the route of the proposed EMC, prepared papers on all of the aspects that we feel are relevant and detrimental not just to Fordwich but the surrounding area and landscape between Fordwich and Canterbury.

We have done this without spending a penny just through hard work and the enthusiasm we have to protect the special historical Town of Fordwich

CCC has recognised as being of special architectural and historical interest. The Fordwich Conservation Area was extended in 1993 expressly to recognise the broader character of Fordwich and the importance of the land included within the extended area, necessary to preserve the historic character of Fordwich.

The Eastern Bypass Route would decimate the conservation area and is entirely inconsistent with its statutory protection – it would cause substantial harm to threaten the justification of the Conservation Area designation itself. CCC has not considered heritage impacts in deciding on the Eastern Bypass Route. The proposed Eastern Bypass Route is inconsistent with national policy or CCC's statutory duty.
Environment/Ecology

The Eastern Bypass Route will have significant adverse effects on the environment and ecology, which were discounted at the outset when this option was chosen.

The Eastern Bypass Route would sever ecological connectivity between the Chequer's Wood and Old Park SSSI and the Stodmarsh National Nature Reserve (NNR)

The Eastern Bypass Route would go against the objectives of Policies SS1 and DS21 in destroying green infrastructure, harming the Stodmarsh NNR and imperilling the ability of development across the district to deliver a minimum 20% biodiversity net gain.

CCC has failed to properly assess reasonable alternatives by not considering the environmental harms associated with the Eastern Bypass Route.

The Eastern Bypass Route would go straight through ancient and semi-natural woodland in Trenley Park Woods, destroying this irreplaceable habitat.

The Eastern Bypass Route would decimate Sandpit Wood, an area of woodlands subject to a Tree Preservation Order, designated by CCC as being of high landscape value. The Preservation Order further notes that the woodlands are of local importance for nature conservation.

For these reasons and more I totally oppose the Eastern Movement corridor as proposed in the Canterbury Local Draft Plan 2045

Yours

Sue Thompson

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