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## Objection the proposed park and ride plan.

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To whom this may concern,

I am writing to address my strong objection to the proposal of the relocation of Wincheap Park and Ride to Thanington Recreation ground, as a resident of Thanington and a Employee of Thanington Resource Centre.

The negative response since this has been proposed is enough to be said, i have not heard 1 positive response, there is no benefits from this happening. Firstly, the existing park and ride car park is never at full capacity as it is, this will not improve traffic it'll cause more congestion in Cantebury which is already appalling as it is, what is stopping you from building another level to the existing car park, this will not effect the skyline or the marshes. There are plenty alternatives that should be considered before this goes ahead, it is clear this proposal has not been fully thought through. Also if this goes through and doesn't work or get used there is no coming back from this as you will be simply destroying a huge green space. Our crucial green space will be gone, it needs to be taken into account this is not some old abandoned space that is an eyesore, it is used by many; families, young people, adults, elderly, dog walkers, footballers etc, theirs never a day it is not used. It is also a crucial part of childhood development for children to be able to play freely which they can on this open space, it provides so many opportunities for many people, its a place where families meet and play, where children learn to ride there bikes etc, for some elderly people on Thanington it is the furthest they can get out to, our green space is also a benefit to people to struggle with mental health. Also there is a lot of wildlife that live in and around which will be taken away which is unfair on the animals who have made homes here. The air pollution will also be effected it'll be worse than it already is.

Personally, as a child and a teenager i spent a lot of time on this field it created a space for me and my friends to go, it creates a space for young people keeping them away for committing crimes and unacceptable behavior.

Also has the drainage been considered for when it rains? even if there are drains installed will they be cleaned regularly? because they will be sat getting clogged which will then lead to floods which could affect the center also the river will flood. What does this mean for the Resource Center? as this will effect us as well, so not only are you going to destroy a big green space it'll effect the future of the Center, it cause us to close down which will hugely effect the estate!c

For this plan to even be considered it show you have not thought and considered about the effected area which is hugely inconsiderate of you, the effect this will have on the future generation of people from the estate will be put off to raising children in the area.