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Re: Whitstable Area Policy N21 & N24

As an owner resident of Whitstable I'm against the above developments for the following reasons:

Produce extra demand on an already failing water supply infrastructure

Additional sewage that will be generated which will only exacerbate the already dire sewerage deficiencies which have resulted in increased sewage pollution in the seawater and on the beaches.

Drainage concerns (this was apparent after the completion of construction at Whitstable Heights)

Increase in refuse generation and manner of disposal

More houses bringing further traffic congestion to a small town which struggles to accommodate the amount of vehicles already on the roads. Due to increases of traffic, cars moving around the town will choose less suitable roads to reach their destinations to avoid heavily populated roads, most specifically, the Old Thanet Way.

Turning out of Golden Hill directly onto the Old Thanet Way is impossible with the current level of traffic and will be even worse if these developments go ahead. It just isn't going to be possible to get out. Living in Eversleigh Rise, I experience this every day!!

More traffic will also bring increased safety hazards and pollutant emissions and consequent decreased air quality

Open and green space being eroded to the point that there will be very little open space left for the existing residents in this small town

The character of Whitstable, being the jewel in the Crown of Kent's Tourism industry, gradually being changed into a less appealing product for visitors

Being a hilltop location, it is likely to irrevocably change the Whitstable skyline.

The high points of Whitstable being changed from fields which self manages water drainage, to hard landscaping and rooves which will increase the possibility of rainwater moving downhill, increasing the overall risk of flooding to lower lying areas particularly on the roads leading to accidents. This risk will only increase with global warming, and present calculations of future rainfall projections will likely be increased as global warming accelerates

The proposed sites are not in keeping with the small town of Whitstable

Greater pressures on resources, such as GP provision, social services and the police service

Please take my comments into account when making your decisions on the above proposed developments

Kind Regards

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