



Objections to greenfields development in Chartham (but vote for brownfields site)

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Good day,

My name is Sarah Wild, and I am a resident of Chartham.

Two of the three large rural housing developments proposed by the CCC are located in Chartham. The village cannot support TWO large developments. It is already struggling with services and traffic. It is unjust that Chartham bears the majority of Canterbury's rural development ambitions.

One development makes sense and would meet demand for housing. Developing the mill site would benefit the village, while Rattington St would overwhelm it.

The Mill Site is close to transport links, and other amenities (which would reduce the need for more cars). The site is falling into disrepair and is becoming a danger to passersby. It is also being vandalised.

The Rattington development, on the other hand, would be on green fields and much further transport links. It reduces green space and nature-based services, will result in even more traffic, and is too great a burden for the village to bear in terms of services (such as water, sewage, etc.)

I recognise that there needs to be a balance between development and communities' concerns (particularly: service provision, conservation, traffic), but two development sites in the village will be catastrophic for us.

Best,
Sarah.

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