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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing in response to the question: *“Do you have any comments on the proposed deletion of land north of the University of Kent (Policy C12)?”*

I strongly support the removal of this site from the local plan. The local road network is already stretched far beyond capacity, and any further development would dramatically increase traffic congestion, making the roads unsafe. The local economy would also suffer due to the effect of constant heavy congestion upon journey times. It is not just the local area that would suffer- the A290 is a key route for emergency services and buses from Whitstable to Canterbury and the massive increase of traffic on that route would drastically increase journey times for both of those.

The proposed demolition of an Outstanding-rated primary school would also be a devastating loss for the community and intensely disruptive during the years of building.

Moreover, the destruction of ancient woodland and the resulting loss of wildlife habitat would cause irreparable harm to the area’s biodiversity and natural heritage and have a lasting impact on communities who enjoy and use this precious green space.

Development north of the University of Kent would permanently alter and degrade the local environment and quality of life, and also damage the local and regional economy. I therefore urge the Council to confirm the deletion of this site from the local plan. Thank you for listening to the concerns of residents, the Highways Agency, and all other groups who have voiced opposition to this proposal.

Kind regards,

Francesca Crump

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