
Objection to the local plan

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I am writing to voice my objection and concerns with the Local Plan, particularly in the Whitstable/Blean area. My issues all centre around the existing poor infrastructure and the massive damage that the addition of large numbers of new houses will have on existing residents. My concerns cover:

1. Roads and traffic - many roads are already poor quality and traffic is a major issue between Whitstable and Canterbury on the two routes through Blean and Tyler Hill, where many new houses are planned. there is already congestion, pollution and the roads are in terrible shape and without significant investment, and changes to parking permissions on these roads, I believe that congestion, pollution and damage to vehicles will increase significantly.
2. Public transport - Is currently limited to buses as there are no north/south train links. The buses are infrequent and overcrowded at peak times, without further investment in bus provision many new residents will not be able to be absorbed.
3. Water supply and sanitation- Is already very poor, and issues around sewage already detrimentally affect tourism income in Whitstable, without major investment I do not see how the current infrastructure can cope with many new houses without many and serious issues.
4. Schools and GPs - Both services are already oversubscribed in the area, adding thousands more households cannot be absorbed safely and with a decent level of service provision without adding an additional GP service, primary and potentially secondary school (or at least a major expansion of an existing secondary school).

I do not see robust or viable plans to address these shortfalls or mitigate the risks posed by further overloading already sub-standard infrastructure that would be an immediate, direct and obvious consequence of adding thousands of new home in the area, and so I object strongly to the current Local Plan and feel it is not a viable way forward.

Reagards,

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