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Hi,

I'd like to express my concerns about the soundness of the proposed local plan, specifically to the Merton Park and other changes in the Wincheap area.

I know there have been other very detailed submissions so I will keep this personal.

I am very concerned about the effects on local transport. Anyone who lives in the area understands that there are already major issues with the flow of traffic and not just at peak times. The area around the A2 flyover is riddled with traffic lights and is constantly congested. Access to the city centre is always a challenge along the A28 through Wincheap.

As a resident of Thanington with children at school in South Canterbury I use various roads such as Hollow Lane, Stuppington Lane, Merton Lane and Nackington Road to get my kids to school whilst avoiding the City Centre. The proposed developments would remove that option and shift me into congested traffic in the City.

The additional traffic from the new development would also have a major effect on the existing problems already in place along the A28, on top of that there will be additional traffic once the new slip road from the A2 is in place.

I appreciate the need for new housing but I do not understand how the existing plan is sound with all of these taken into account?

Thanks

Mark Butler