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Re Canterbury Local Plan - Regulation 19

I wish to object to the proposed development of land adjacent to Golden Hill, Whitstable on the following grounds:

1, Local infrastructure is already under significant pressure and there are serious concerns that SE Water and Southern Water will struggle to meet increased demand created by further housing on this site.

2, Traffic congestion on the A2990 [The old Thanet Way] is already severe particularly between the Tesco roundabout and the Long Reach roundabout. Trying to join this stretch of the A2990 from Golden Hill is at peak times, hazardous. Much of the congestion has resulted from the recent major housing developments along this stretch. Furthermore a significant number of these houses are still unoccupied which raises the question as to why it is deemed necessary to build more.

3, The proposed Travellers site on the development [W6,W9] butts on to properties on Golden Hill and this is very likely to have a negative impact on the established communities nearby. Might it not be more appropriate to consider expansion of the existing, authorised traveller sites operating in and around Whitstable instead of creating a new site?

4, Local services are already under considerable pressure coping with the ongoing housing developments already under construction. Timely GP appointments are increasingly difficult to obtain. Hospital services such as A&E are often stretched to capacity resulting in long waiting times.

Public transport remains limited and inadequate for a growing population.

For these reasons I believe that the proposed development would place unsustainable pressure on the local community and should therefore be reconsidered.

Yours Faithfully

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