

Fwd: Response to The Canterbury District Local Plan Consultation

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HOUSING/SERVICES

The proposal to build a up to nearly twice the number of homes to that required by the government's minimum requirement (up to 17,000 as opposed to 9,000), in addition to the 16,000 already planned for 2031, is not sustainable and should not even be considered without putting first in place the services needed NOW to support our existing population :-

- i) A new hospital with a 24/7 A&E that's fit for purpose
- ii) Adequate fresh water supply eg Broad Oak Reservoir
- iii) A wastewater/sewage system that's not continually polluting our Blue Flag beaches
- iv) Clearing all kerb side road drains
- v) Combatting the increasing anti-social behaviour; littering, graffiti, fast cars
- vi) Fixing potholes and pavements – many of which are a dangerous trip hazard
- vii) Cleaning and clearing obstructions from road signs
- viii) Solving rough sleeping
- ix) Preserving green open spaces
- x) Leisure facilities that are fit for a modern City
- xi) Protecting and funding the heritage buildings and services of the City - a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

TRANSPORT

Green proposals such as an off-road cycle route to Herne Bay linking with the crab & winkle route is much needed and sensible, together with improving the linking of the cycle network across the City & District. However, the proposal for a new a park & ride in Harbledown makes no sense as they are very unpopular and under used as shown by the recent suspension of the Sturry Road Park & ride. The new multi storey in Station Road West should prove to more popular in the years to come serving the station, St. Dunstan's and the town centre. To rebuild the City post covid we need affordable parking that is sensibly located and with the evolution and vision of the electric car the current concerns of pollution should be mitigated.

The proposed "Western Bypass" has clearly been included as a back of a cigarette paper idea and until a sensible suggestion is made eg costed, clearly mapped it's hard to make a useful comment. Getting the Wincheap A2 slip road completed should be the priority.

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