

## Fwd: Expansion of Aylesham

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9 August 2021 at 08:05

To: Michael Bailey [REDACTED]

Regards,

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From: Marilyn Lewis [REDACTED]

Date: Sun, 8 Aug 2021 at 14:43

Subject: Expansion of Aylesham

To: <[planning@canterbury.gov.uk](mailto:planning@canterbury.gov.uk)>

Dear Sir

Unfortunately I have been unable to find the section in the Local plan to object to this, so I will have to raise our objections in an email.

Aylesham has already expanded recently and Dover has planned a large expansion to Aylesham in the future. The newly expanded Aylesham is lacking infrastructure, schooling, transport links etc. To then propose a further large expansion of Aylesham into the Canterbury parish of Womenswold is unacceptable. According to the Local plan 2040, transport links are being considered but there is no appearance of Aylesham, Womenswold on the map. At present there is only a very limited bus service to Canterbury, and none to Dover and the trains are once an hour and expensive. This will encourage everyone to use their cars. The proposed cycle and walking routes on the local plan do not appear to come out to Womenswold and certainly, anyone would be risking their life to walk along the Adisham road.

There is also a section on nature and the environment in the local plan. The expansion of Aylesham into Womenswold would result in the destruction of Grade 1 agricultural land, natural woodland and also a wildflower meadow where there is considerable diversity of flowers and therefore insect life. This field has been uncultivated for a number of years. The proposal takes the housing adjacent to an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty - which must be detrimental to this area.

The plan that small communities and historic villages should be subsumed into housing estates will destroy the nature of the East Kent Countyside and they will be lost forever.

Yours sincerely

Marilyn and Michael Lewis