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Dear Sir/Madam

I have lived in Hadley Wood for 15 years with my family, and my parents 20 years prior to that.

I moved with my family to the area because of the surrounding greenbelt and country like area, with open space and wonderful views.

I am horrified to hear that there is now a proposal to develop a massive number of new homes on the Green belt land around where I live.

I understood that Green Belt is a protected area, and is there for a purpose.

Hadley wood is not the right area to build a new development of this size because the area cannot cope with increased population, the schools are already oversubscribed for those that live in the area, the infrastructure cannot cope with such large numbers of additional people in a small area.

We already have massive flooding issues in the area, and by building even more properties will mean more flood risks.

Surely there are more suitable areas on which to build properties, such as existing brownfield sites, why is the Council now agreeing to build on Green belt land which should continue to be protected.

In lockdown, it has proved how important open green land is to those that wish to walk in the area, across open fields for exercise and clearing the mind. We do not want our green belt changed to a concrete jungle, which will not benefit residents, but instead, just be a money making exercise for those involved.

We hope that you will remove this proposed site allocation from the next edition of the Local Plan and retain the green belt status for this area.