

Dear Councilmen

I am writing regarding your letter on "SUTHERLAND" and your invitation to give our views on its content.

My family and I have lived in Fairfield all our lives (90 years old and living here "on the ground" for 50 years). There is one major issue we have seen the gradual decline in the hospital. More important than Fairfield merged with Strategic Council, and more recently with the continuous holding of them and houses all over the borough. Our infrastructure is already under enormous pressure as a result of this, which is "SUTHERLAND". The district hospital and other support services are all suffering because of the extra population being imported in the area. We do not have a shortage of houses but what we do have is FAR TOO MANY PEOPLE. What are we doing about this? The extra housing would mean more sewage, more energy usage, more water use etc. It would also mean more pollution with more cars, meaning more noise traffic. Already the cycle lanes and other non-vehicle, have narrowed the roads even though cars are getting bigger and bigger and it seems that every household has at least 2 vehicles, with one household in my road having as many as 4....

The housing on Chas Farm Hospital site as a consequence, has meant the closure of certain departments within the hospital and because of this, people in Fairfield are having to travel further afield for certain medical treatment....

It is one with professional judgement and expertise we should be in the driver, and the strategic effect comes by taking away their habitat. What kind of a development is the suggestion of providing us grounds?

We need our grounds and need more green spaces. This does need to be good enough to withdraw from any further planning, and instead, you should be working towards ways of keeping what we have left of our wildlife habitat, hedgerows, and greenbelt, and try to encourage wildlife back. What is being suggested we cover good health and well-being NOT covering over their habitat and further endangering us all along the way. More housing = more people = more traffic = more vehicles (already a problem) = more sewage, more energy usage, more noise etc etc....

Given the investment in Fairfield with railings, showings, various councils, hospitals and emergency. Why do we not see police officers walking in our streets any more and why have all the police stations closed?

The thinking of the local council is quite clear.....

Given more thought and care to being a safer, healthier community....