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Hi
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Kind regards

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To Whom It May Concern,

I write to object to any more housing in Paddock Wood. There are currently 3 large developments under construction providing hundreds more homes but this town barely has the infrastructure to cope.

Flooding is an issue around the town after periods of heavy rainfall. Rather than increase capacity at the local sewage works I understand a large 'ring main' system was constructed to accommodate the waste from the additional homes already being built to avoid overwhelming the sewage works. How do we know if adequate steps will be taken to deal with waste from yet more homes ???

Local roads have been and will be shut for months while new services are supplied to these 3 housing estates, causing considerable inconvenience to local residents.

Proposals by Paddock Wood Town Council to improve the commercial area of the town have been thwarted by the building of more homes on Commercial Road and Station Road.

Plots of land within the town have been cleared and numerous new homes squeezed into them with insufficient parking eg. ex-bungalow site on Old Kent Road, ex-Tom Bells Chip Shop site on Maidstone Road and ex-Police Houses site on Maidstone Road. We are still waiting for the improvement of the Badsell Road and Maidstone Road junction.

Getting a doctor's appointment seems way more difficult, antisocial behaviour has risen considerably, noise and litter is substantially worse.

It seems Paddock Wood is the dumping ground for any development that the remainder of the borough does not want but needs to provide. Tunbridge Wells BC should take their Paddock Wood constituents into account and limit any further expansion of the town until a full set of supporting infrastructure and services (medical, educational, public facilities, etc). is in place.

Regards

Rachel Smith



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