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To: Local Plan (TWBC)

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Dear Sir/ Madam,

These are my comments on the new proposed local Plan.

I am pleased TWBC have listened to the inspector and deleted Tudeley Garden Village from the plan. (Hopefully for good!)

I am pleased there are to be fewer homes in East Capel and Build on Flood Zone 1 and Industrial use on Flood Zone 2.

Both the above are sensible, especially as rainfall is expected to increase by 35% over the next few decades a figure TWBC mentioned in their December planning meeting- form memory I think by 2036 was mentioned.

I think that with all the building now proposed, along the line from Capel to Paddock Wood , although still overwhelming, is acceptable, as TWBC does have large areas of ANOB and

Greenbelt BUT- there should be no more planned in these areas and no resurgence of a Garden Village at Tudley.

Paddock Wood has expanded so much now – enough is enough and TWBC need to look at other areas within their borough to full fill their quota, well away from The Tonbridge to Paddock Wood line in the future.

It is only fair that other towns/ villages in other parts of the area within TWBC's patch, should also have to pick up building quotas too and serious consideration should be given to this in future planning, along with the fact that there is an aging population and not all your older generations want to be stuffed into a flat.

I have spent many hours at both Regulation 18 and 19 with my comments and these are my summarized thoughts.

Thank you and best wishes Carol Richards