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Subject: **Response to Public Consultation on the new Local Plan STR/SS 1**

Dear Sirs

I object to the increase of an additional 2,600 in Paddock Wood. My goodness, hasn't the Village, now Town, seen its fair share of housing for the South East or even the whole country?

There is not the infrastructure to support the increase in people and traffic. It's all well and good to create a 'garden village' but there are no flowers in this garden! In order for people to access their needs of shopping, schooling, medical and recreation activities, they have to get into their cars and drive to Maidstone or further? Not very environmentally friendly and goes against the NPPF for sustainability.

Also, I don't understand why plans are to build on a floodplain? It is widely known that Paddock Wood floods and there's been recent flooding along with sewage added into the mix. Does this not give the Planning Department and Committee a massive indication that 2,600 are not suitable.

The destruction of the greenbelt is becoming criminal and once the bio diversity is gone, it is lost forever.

We are 'told' by the government that we need more houses but has anyone in TWBC ever questioned this and actually worked out what is actually needed? It all seems to be a concoction of panic, poor management of council taxpayers money and disregard and lack of respect to the people living in Paddock Wood and surrounding communities.

I think you need to start listening to the people who pay your salaries.

Regards
Zoe Patten Ferguson
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