

Dear Sir

This is a resubmission of my letter of protest following my previous use of the wrong e-mail address. I would like to repeat my strong objections to the proposed plans which would involve wholesale destruction of green-belt land. In an increasingly stressful world it is more than ever important that such resources are retained for the health and well-being of everyone. This blanket smothering of the countryside would be to the detriment of existing residents and offer a poor standard of living to new ones.

Nor do the proposals adequately address the potential traffic problems especially in an area where there is already gridlock from time to time. New infrastructure, including educational, health and leisure facilities as well as roads need to be planned, agreed and built ahead of housing construction and not regarded as a vague afterthought.

I cannot believe that there are not other suitable building sites in the borough so that the need for additional house building is distributed more fairly and the blighting of any one area is avoided. I hope that Council members will pay heed to the strength of public opinion. Yours faithfully