

The Planning Inspectorate

COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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Appeal Reference: APP/E2205/W/21/3284479

DETAILS OF THE CASE

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Appeal By

WATES DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED

Site Address

Land between Woodchurch Road and Appledore Road
Tenterden
Kent
TN30 7AY

SENDER DETAILS

Name

MRS JOANNE PHILLIPS

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ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- Appellant
- Agent
- Interested Party / Person
- Land Owner
- Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- Final Comments
- Proof of Evidence
- Statement
- Statement of Common Ground
- Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- Other

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

The Wates business/building plans for these fields, that have been rejected more than once, should now be buried. They state in their appeal that housing is desperately needed and this is true for any company in the business of building but Tenterden has been significantly altered by all of the recent housing developments which are still going on. Now more than ever we should be addressing what we lose when ancient landscapes are destroyed. This destruction cannot be mitigated by a few "green links" or a "country park" as we are now well informed about how fragile our ecosystem really is. Developers need to make money, this is true, but they need to look for disused sites rather than open countryside and re-purpose those. This development is simply wrong on so many fronts and if it were to go ahead would irreparably disfigure the surrounds of Tenterden. There would be 145 more boilers, at least 250 more cars, who knows how much more concrete burying untold species of flora and fauna that would be gone forever. Wates' appeal is a poorly disguised demand to carry on as normal and send the diggers in. They might include a sports pitch and children's play area but clearly they would rather build more houses to sell as this grows their business. They also say they will provide cycle paths but who for? Very few people cycle around the town and this proposed development would be a touch too far for people to walk into town so would definitely cause further congestion. Can we not preserve Tenterden as "The Jewel in the Weald" rather than sacrifice it to the builders who will happily turn it into a blot on the landscape, a choked up housing estate?