To the Inspector, Mr Philip Lewis  
c/o Programme Officer, Chris Banks  
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BY EMAIL ONLY

Dear Mr Lewis,

**Re. Tandridge Local Plan & Availability of land for the Garden Community**

We are writing in respect of the Tandridge Local Plan and the proposals for the garden village at South Godstone in particular.

We are longstanding residents of Tandridge and we own land within the Area of Search for the proposed ‘Garden Community’. We consider the proposal to be deeply flawed and propped up by unsustainable assertions. It would damage an area of green belt and would create chaos and disruption to traffic and community. The claimed benefit to housing would in reality create a community with no significant local employment and would thereby aggravate traffic problems and increase further strains on existing bottlenecks.

Consequently we wish to formally notify you that we are thoroughly opposed to this proposal. In addition, we wish to make clear that we do not wish to sell our home or land for development. We would also fight any attempt by Tandridge DC to compulsorily acquire the land from us if this was attempted.

From our personal position, as committed residents who have lived here for four decades, the damage to our situation would be extreme. We value greatly the distinctive home in which we live and the setting and the view which form an integral part of what we so greatly value. This would be destroyed if the garden community went ahead, and it would undoubtedly also result in a substantial reduction in the value of our home as well as destroying what we treasure.

We are aware that many other landowners feel the same way and we hope that you will take this into consideration when deliberating over the soundness of the plan and the deliverability of the garden village in particular.

Yours sincerely,