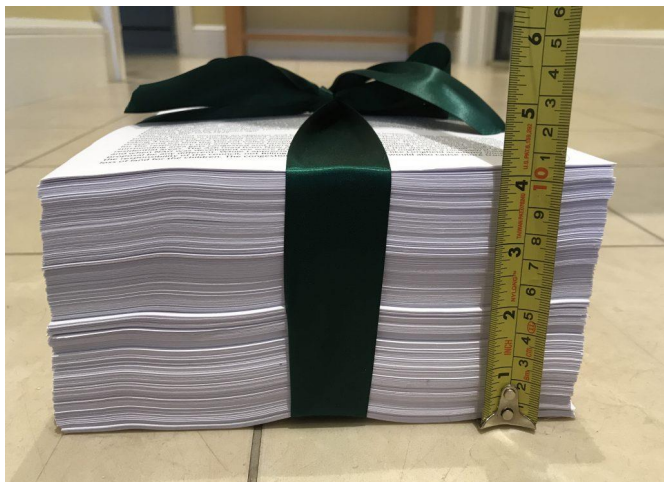


Representatives from the No Hartley Expansion Committee attended the Sevenoaks District Council Planning Advisory Committee on 2 October 2018 to present them with the printed comments, containing approximately 96% objections raised by our community during the consultation period.

Our aim was for the actual volume and weight of our objections to be clearly visible to the Members. The comments, wrapped in a green ribbon to represent the Green Belt, were accompanied by a letter from The NO Hartley Expansion Committee, derailing the justified and numerous complaints regarding the process and decision to include MX52/53 in the Draft Local Plan in the first place.



We presented the comments to Cllr James Gaywood, (pictured), who attempted to read a statement on our behalf, but was prevented from doing so by the Chairman. We did, however, represent the comments to the Chairman and issued each member present at the end of the meeting the same letter. Copies have subsequently been sent to Mr Gareth Johnson MP, Sir Michael Fallon MP and James Brokenshire MP the Housing Minister.



We are ready to launch a legal battle to prove that exceptional circumstances do not exist for the existing community and that the infrastructure simply cannot cope with the disproportionate increase of around 30% of our population of Hartley and the hamlet of Fawkham.

This is all in addition to the fact that the area is beautiful as well as arable in part and should be protected for the biodiversity and wellbeing of the communities.