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We are writing to object to the change of use application covered by the above application.

- We assume this cannot be considered separately from DM/23/2866
- The current district plan – adopted in 2018 – specifies at DP16 that development will only be permitted where it conserves or enhances natural beauty. This application does neither.
- The ancient woodland will be harmed by the cycle path linking up with the rights of way. Permitting cycling will damage wildlife
- As conceived, the Parkland Reserve is likely to attract a significant number of people to the site – this will have a destructive and detrimental impact on the environment
- What is the purpose of the Parkland Reserve or Country Park? Is it to provide a local recreational facility or to limit access to enhance biodiversity? It can't do both
- How will the proposed new land management regime, imposed from above, improve the local landscape qualities?
- National planning guidelines say the biodiversity net gain should be achieved at the development site rather than on an alternative one. The two sites are quite separate and the activity in one can't compensate for problems/shortcomings in the other
- The proposed cycle path is liable to cause damage/nuisance to a range of listed local buildings nearby
- Once land ceases to be used for agricultural purposes, it becomes much more vulnerable to future attempts to develop

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