

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to oppose the planned building of 100 new homes to the rear of The Drove Way in Istead Rise.

With the existing proposal to build 150 new homes at Rose Farm, Downs Road, Istead Rise this would mean an additional 250 homes in the area which the area is unable to cope with. This would cause more traffic congestion in Istead Rise and the surrounding areas, increased pressures on the GP surgery (which is difficult to get an appointment at present) and the local hospitals who are already unable to cope with the existing population in the area.

The local primary school, already fully subscribed, would not be able to accommodate extra children without additional class rooms and public transport to secondary schools is limited.

It is also apparent that the Water Companies are unable to cope with supplying existing households in Kent without the building of yet more properties.

Losing the farmland would also have an environmental affect on the area as well as reducing food security.

Before any future building is agreed by the Council it should ensure the local infrastructure is put in place **prior** to the building of any new homes in the area.

Yours faithfully


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