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To whoever this concerns.

This plan covers the whole of Kent but affects a site close to where I live "Oaken Wood"

This ancient wood has been here for a least 400 years (as shown on maps of the area) and is protected under the National Planning Policy Framework and this needs to be acknowledged in the plan. This area is irreplaceable and can never be restored if touched.

The plan is flawed in many other ways for example Environmental terminology such as "sustainable" "conservation" "safeguard" have not be clearly defined.

The statement "aspiring to carbon neutrality and reducing harmful missions" has no real meaning. It appears to be a opt out clause with no real definition or understanding behind it when considering the extraction process, the movement of vehicles and the destruction of ancient wood and the vast amounts of carbon that it potentially holds.

Kentish Ragstone is a finite stone and does not need to be use as aggregate we have other sources for this in Kent.

The need for crushed aggregate should not be defined by a private company, who after all is in this to make money.

This plan needs to be re- written with real understanding of any environmental damaged that may be caused.

Yours faithfully.