

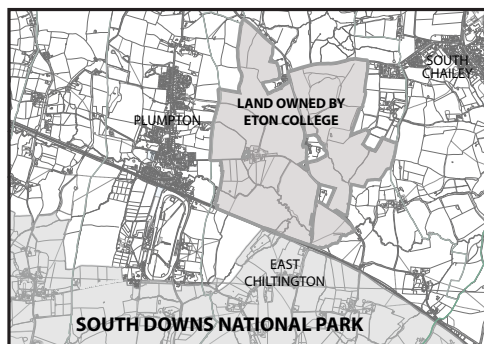


No Eton New Town in the South Downs

Stop Eton College building a huge 3,000-house new town in idyllic, open countryside right on the border of the South Downs National Park and Biosphere Reserve.

"It's a totally inappropriate site, completely lacking in the necessary infrastructure. The environmental impact is also very worrying - on animal life and biodiversity. But the most frightening thing about it is the traffic generation and carbon impact of all those additional vehicles."

James MacCleary, Leader of Lewes District Council



About us

We are a group of people from all over Sussex and beyond who are passionate about preventing the destruction of our open countryside, active, historic farmland and precious wildlife habitats. The proposed scheme at East Chiltington is wholly inappropriate and will not support local housing need.

How you can help

- Go to our website & join the campaign
- Follow us on social media
- Spread the word to friends & neighbours
- Donate to help support the campaign
- Request a poster or placard
- Email your local MP and/or local councillors

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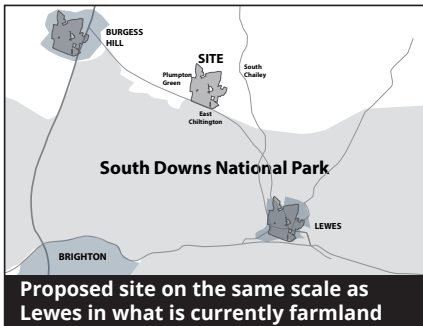
Undeliverable. Unsustainable. Unnecessary.

Wrong scheme, wrong place

The proposed new town is on a huge scale that is not supported by local housing needs. There is no existing infrastructure for a development of this size with water abstraction, flooding, sewage, pollution and traffic all of huge concern. Previous assessments recommended zero building growth in this area and deemed the proposed site 'not suitable' and 'not deliverable or developable'. The scheme could mean 3.5 million more car journeys a year on tiny country lanes - from some 6,000 additional residents and an estimated 4,200 extra vehicles.

Lost forever

The ecological impact of concreting over this special downland area would be devastating and irreversible. The South Downs National Park Character Assessment describes the area as "a deeply rural landscape ... a mosaic of farmland and woodland." There are numerous protected animal species including bats, Great Crested Newts, the Hazel Dormouse and 22 Red Listed bird species as well as rare butterflies, bees and moths. The Bevern Chalk stream is also a prolific spawning ground to a nationally significant sea trout population.



"The Eton college proposal is completely unacceptable, and I have offered to call this in with the Secretary of State. I am absolutely opposed to building on greenfield sites."

Maria Caulfield MP, Lewes constituency

This loss of green space would:

- **Destroy the landscape** of the South Downs forever
- **Destroy precious habitat & ecosystems**, home to numerous protected species
- **Cause huge congestion** and add more pressure on surrounding villages and towns
- **Concrete over** active, historic farmland
- **Devastate local villages** which would be engulfed by urban sprawl
- **Undermine The South Downs National Park's status** as one of only 16 International Dark Skies Reserves

**We need YOU to join us, to make our voices heard.
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