Dear Local Plan Team,

I write in respect of the current consultation by Suffolk Coastal District Council on the Neighbourhood Plans for Woodbridge Town Council and Martlesham Parish Council. I understand that there is an overlap between the two boundary applications and that Duke's Park, Martlesham, where I live, features in both applications.

Whatever the outcome I am extremely concerned that the area between Duke's Park, Sandy Lane, Top Street and Ipswich Road should not become an area for housing development but should remain as open countryside. I understand that this area falls within the Martlesham Proposed Neighbourhood Boundary and will continue to do so, not being in the area of overlap. I support the Council's view that this land should be protected from development such that it will continue to prevent the coalescence of Woodbridge and Martlesham. I therefore support the adoption of whichever boundary best ensures this outcome.

With regard to the Football Ground, which is also in the area of overlap, I would hope that it will be included within the Martlesham Parish Boundary. It is an elevated area, thus seen from afar, and much-used by the community for football and relaxation and it would be tragic if it were to be used instead for housing development to satisfy projected new housing requirements of Woodbridge. Woodbridge Town Council has identified an alternative area for football to the North East of Woodbridge but this area could instead be used for housing development, thus ensuring that the Football Field can continue as a facility providing for the healthy enjoyment of the community.

Yours sincerely,

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