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Dear Planning Officer

On hearing about the proposed plan to build 50 new houses on Shepley Lane, Stocksmoor (ref 2024/62/91242/E) my first reaction was that of disbelief and horror. I will outline my concerns.

### 1) ROAD SAFETY.

The road from Stocksmoor to Shepley, where the new residents will immediately join, leads on the left to a very steep, winding single track road which is the only pedestrian access to a dental, GP, grocery shop and is already a death trap if you need to take the long walk along it. There are frequent stand-offs with frustrated drivers and any increase in traffic would only increase the nightmare for drivers and pedestrians alike. In fact, a REDUCTION in traffic should be top of the list, NOT an inevitable increase.

To the right it leads to a crossroad which has already been the focus of accidents as drivers from outside the village speed through.

The huge amount of extra traffic this development would generate both during construction and afterwards would be extremely detrimental to the area and I sincerely have concerns about the consequences.

2) This development of 50 houses is HUGE and completely out of proportion when compared to the present size of the village. It must increase the size by about 25% to 35% All the services we already have trouble accessing will be swamped, such as GP, Dentist, schools and make life more difficult for everyone.

3) There is little in the way of public transport. There is a sporadic bus service that does not connect with any local villages and does not run in the evening and one train per hour each way, when running.

We are encouraged to look after the environment and leave our cars at home, but the increase in pollution caused by such an inevitable large increase in car usage is irresponsible. There will also be inevitable light and noise pollution which will be detrimental to nocturnal wildlife, also local wildlife, such as our much-loved badgers and deer will be affected by such a large increase in population.

4) Stocksmoor is a beautiful village surrounded by beautiful landscapes. It's beauty and tranquility are so greatly appreciated by residents and non-residents alike. Any reduction of green space will be

detrimental to nature, wildlife and humans alike. The maintenance of good mental health is becoming increasingly recognized and the importance that nature plays in this is unquestionable.

For these reasons I am horrified that this development should even be considered.

Kind Regards

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Stocksmoor