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Kirklees Council
Planning Development Control
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OBJECTION TO PLANNING APPLICATION
REF: 2024/62/91242/E
For 50 houses on Shepley Road, Stocksmoor

To whom it may concern

Please find my principal concerns regarding the above planning application as follows:

HIGHLY DANGEROUS ACCESS

Access to the planned development is very near a blind corner. From first-hand experience visiting my mother, who lives adjacent to the field in which the houses are planned, entering and exiting her drive is hazardous and nerve-wracking. Since the entrance to the planned development is even nearer to this bad corner, I strongly believe traffic activity will be even more perilous and liable to accidents from vehicles coming too quickly round the bend, as frequently happens. A particular concern is also for pedestrians in the area, whether potential new residents, including small children, or the many walkers passing by.

DETRIMENT TO LANDSCAPE & ENVIRONMENT

The loss of green space will greatly diminish the character of Stocksmoor and its surrounding landscape. Situated as planned, the proposed, unsympathetically designed and overly large, development will significantly spoil what is currently a beautiful aspect at the edge of the small village and adversely impact wildlife and flora.

LACK OF INFRASTRUCTURE TO SUPPORT ADDITIONAL RESIDENTS

Since there are no shops in Stocksmoor, potential inhabitants will need to drive for all provisions, adding to dangerous traffic and environmental damage. While there is a reasonably regular train service, the bus service is extremely limited both geographically and timewise.

SEVERELY DISADVANTAGEOUS TO IMMEDIATELY NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES

Surely reducing the attributes, outlooks and values of nearby houses, my mother's house immediately next door will be particularly affected. She would face loss of privacy – it is understood that some windows will directly look onto her bungalow's, be deprived of a glorious view, and certainly be subject to the considerable devaluation of her property.

Yours faithfully

Also submitted by online comment to Kirklees Council: Ref FS-Case-622321475.
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