

118, Ashbourne Road
LEEK, STAFFORDSHIRE
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Dear Sir or Madam,

Applicant: No SMD/2016/0534

Applicant's Name: RD/LEEK/LTD

Location: Pickwood Avenue

Proposed Development: 1. Proposed Erection
7. Detached Dwelling

I wish forcefully to object to the
proposed planning Application for
7. three storey Dwelling as sited on
Pickwood Avenue as to overlook my
house at 118 Ashbourne Road

1st Objection

Although these houses are sited on
Pickwood Avenue, they do to a greater
extent overlook the houses on the
South West side of the Ashbourne Road
and they start from 108 to 120

Ashbourne Road. and run the whole length of the gardens on the south side but running west-to-east. As they are three storeys high and given the proximity of the houses and taking into account the lie of the land some 12 to 15' high they will be much higher than the proscribed three storeys and will look more like high raise flats than detached dwelling. The houses on the Ashbourne Rd 110 to 120 respectively were built in the 1930, having large bay window so as to take in the lovely view of the garden.

The houses they are hoping to build seven detached houses three storeys high looking more like sky scrapers are to be built on a small plot of land so small as to be laughable and as the land has a slight curve road side looking onto our homes and gardens on the south west side this will be a total lack of privacy in our homes.

and gardens, there is nowhere to escape from prying eyes, even if the number of houses say to three the effect would still be the same we would feel we were living in a gold fish bowl, which is completely unacceptable.

2nd Objection

As the houses on the Ashbourne Road were built front to back, to take in the lovely views on the east and south side to the rear of Ashbourne Road. These very tall houses to be built would block out their daylight to a great extent. For the houses and gardens would be in shadow. It would mean that the older residents quality of life would be spoiled which would lead to the detriment to their health, all because of heartless greedy developer.

3. Objection

There is the matter of the Japanese knot, used to be in great clumps, but now goes undetected because the developer makes sure it goes undetected by nat.

only killing the tops of the weed for this does not kill the plant, they then cover it up with soil so the authorities and the purchasers who buy the houses are none the wiser until as it does it's start to grow again costing the purchasers many many thousands of pounds for it has to be eradicated, and, I don't understand why the Council turn a blind eye to this very grave problem, because no houses should be built with in the area of Japanese Knotweed.

4th Objection

The House proposing to be built, are built on a very small site, 7 detached three storeys building the mind boggler! and as they are to be built in a row with little space between each house the noise will be greatly increased from children playing, dogs barking all sort of gardening implements lawn mowers especially, of course there will be extra cars as most family have a family car also. It would be intolerable for

anyone who work the night shifts hospital staff who have to have their work about them. there are lots of other night workers. morning road working night in the manufacturing industry. It's impossible to work without sleep.

5th Objection

The garage as sited opposite 120 and 118 Ashbourne Road to all intents and purposes it is in front of 120 Ashbourne Road just a few feet away from the front door sited on a small parcel of land just about wide enough for one car to pass but extremely difficult to negotiate as the entrance to the proposed garage is not straight forward it turns down in a curve towards the steps of both 118 and 120 Ashbourne Road and as the sun into the proposed garage is on quite a steep slope it would have to be built up once again blocking out the light to 118 and 120 both these houses are already very dark as

as once again opposed these house there is a retaining wall on the Ashbourne Road main road some 15' to 20' feet high but far enough away not to intrude on the privacy but as the rear of the houses face due north it still add most forcefully by it adding to the darkness.

Now the run into the garage need to be at least a distance of some 30' feet and even then the driver would have to mount the pavement and driving over the boundary of 116 Ashbourne Road, this would be a very dangerous manoeuvre to the many school children going to and fro to the three schools in the area, then there are the old people the infirm, pedestrians, mothers with prams and pushchairs, and also the residents of 116 to 120 who excess to the main Ashbourne Road footpath crosses over the garage road entrance and this would be a danger especially at dusk, and also at night dazzling light coming towards you or a payment is not something

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you expect to see.

To Conclude,

Given the location a more sympathetic approach by the architects for some low level building such as Bungalows which are in short supply and highly desirable they would be far more acceptable to the existing residents. They would also make a far more attractive approach to the existing estate and a more pleasant entrance to the Town.

Signed

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