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Planning Department
Staffordshire Moorlands District Council
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REF: Planning Application No SMD/2017/0511

To whom this may concern,

RE: Proposed Installation of Floodlighting To Greenway Hall Golf Driving Range Stockton Brook

We wish to make clear in writing our strong objections to the Installation of Floodlights at Greenway Hall Golf Driving Range for the following reasons:

1. Statutory Lighting Nuisance.
2. Excessive Noise Nuisance.
3. Significant Impact on Locality.
4. Effects on Health, Sleep and Well being on local residents.

The Driving Range was passed on the understanding at planning with numerous clear provisos, one of which was that there would be **NO FLOODLIGHTING.** (Mr Burton personally told us that he would NOT be applying for FLOODLIGHTING)

Five months after the Driving Range was opened Mr Burton has now applied for FLOOD LIGHTING, a condition that was clear at conception of the impact it would have on local residents and the intrinsically dark landscape of this rural area (there are only 2 Street lights from Leek Road along Stanley Road leading up to the Golf Course).

Since Mr Burton has taken ownership of this course there have been many complaints of noise, anti-social behaviour and increase in the volume of traffic etc.... These problems have continued to escalate since the Driving Range was first conceived along with other associated nuisances including grass cutting at 6am including weekends, golf balls rattling through hoppers late into the evening, car doors slammed, car lights shining onto properties, loud behaviour from events involving the Marquee and Music causing untold nuisance to both our neighbours, ourselves and our children, to such a degree that our youngest child who is 14 years old cannot get to sleep baring in mind that he has to be up for school at 7am the following morning.

Any proposal to increase the working hours of this facility must be rejected unequivocally due to the negative impact on the residents enjoyment of what is primarily a residential area and home. Finally I would like to bring to your attention Section 101-103 of the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environmental Act 2005, which states that, "new lighting must adhere to the original planning permission of the building".

Awaiting your response.

Yours sincerely

Craig Vernon and Claire Moulton

CC Sybil Ralphs MBE Bagnall and Stanley Conservative Leader

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