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Sent: Planning (SMDC)

To: Objection SMD/2017/0633

Subject:

Oakamoor 5 Starwood Terrace Oakamoor Staffs St10 3AA

Planning Objection
Application Number :SMD/2017/0633
Applicants Name:Mr & Mrs D Hewins

Location: Bramble, Dell, Cotton Dell, Oakamoor

Proposed Development: Proposed Residential dwelling

Dear Sir,

I would like to object to the proposed build at Brambley Dell Oakamoor (above application)

- 1. Oakamoor has just been made a conservation area and there are very few villages left in the country with such old character and natural beauty like Oakamoor. The proposed build is of a "Housing Estate type build" and is not in keeping with the surrounding 1880 cottages. The area in which the proposed build will be is the hub of the village where walkers visitors etc all stop to look over the bridge and just take in the view of a little English countryside surrounded by original dwellings. This build will disrupt the character of the village and the key characteristics in the conservation appraisal.
- 2. The former owner has dumped lots of loose rubble which is covered over .Therfore the land is going have to be raised to level it out or dug down to level it out.Both of these procedures are a major concern.
- If the land has to be raised the proposed build is going to tower even higher over the village and Starwood terrace. If the land has to be dug out then there is concerns of the stability of the land and potential flood risk from the Cotton Brook which has to cope with a lot of water passing through it. There is also a concern with this build being in such a close proximity to such old buildings that all the excavation involved on such a small old piece of land will upset the natural foundations i.e sink hole which has happened further up the road in Oakamoor.

This is a very small piece of land that gives the village and surrounding original buildings a little space and light. We feel this land should not accommodate any sort of build.

- 3.The proposed build will cut out 90% of what little light we get in the kitchen to 5 Starwood Terrace and 95% in the back bedroom and bathroom .This will also block any view from the rear of the house .Also it will be an invasion of privacy as the rear bedroom and bathroom will be overlooked by the property. Our garden will be affected as the build will block out 50% of any natural light and again it will be an invasion of privacy as we will be overlooked by the build.
- 4. The only access that any buildings works have will be the lane that runs along the back of Starwood. This lane will not be able to take the comings and goings of equipment etc needed for this build. The entrance to the lane is very narrow and turning in heavy equipment is going to cause a lot of problems on the main road not to mention how close to the house on the end the machinery will be. This lane is used to the max already with lots of potholes in it. Again this lane is in the conservation area and the lane leads to the Nature Reserve which is used by a lot by walking visitors. The build would cause much disruption noise and mess for a long time.

It would be dreadful and have a massive impact for the residents, wildlife, visitors and the Conservation Area Plan if this build went ahead!!!!!

Yours Sincerley

Emma Proctor & Mark Milward