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Application Reference No. : SMD/2021/0266 Site Address: Flying Horse Inn 130 Ashbourne Road Leek
Staffordshire ST13 5BJ Leek Comments by: Alan Cross

From:

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Submission: Objection

Comments: I am objecting to this application because I am opposed to the removal of the six mature trees in Pickwood Avenue. These trees have taken many years to grow and are not diseased or a road traffic hazard, but they are an enhancement to the neighbourhood. Any new trees planted may not survive, as it seems to me to be quite common for trees planted on new developments to die shortly afterwards due to a lack of watering. I think the applicant should consider building fewer houses on the site, perhaps with just one house facing Prospect Road, to allow room for access to any garages or parking places to be gained via Prospect Road. Another option might be to convert the Flying Horse into apartments instead of demolishing it. I am sure that someone with professional expertise in this field would be able to find a way forward that conserves the trees yet still enables a viable development to take place.

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