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Application Reference No. : SMD/2021/0479 Site Address: Land Off Stanley Road Stockton Brook
Staffordshire Comments by: M.Simpson

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Submission: Objection

Comments: I am writing to object to the above application for outline planning permission on Stanley Road.

If the purpose of green belt is to prevent urban sprawl, then a two storey dwelling here seems inappropriate, surrounded as it would be by dormer bungalows and housing stock mainly constructed pre-1950s and also blanking out views towards the Houghwood. It could also set a precedent for further infill development.

The land running from the Houghwood to Stanley road and across to the canal forms a wonderful wildlife corridor for an abundance of insects, animals and birds and the proposal to 'soft landscape' around the development seems a token gesture. Biodiversity would not be enhanced, unkept land is the perfect habitat for wildlife to thrive.

The proposed site is situated near a dangerous bend in the road which is used by an increasing number of walkers, cyclists and motorists all competing for road space. The speed limit is still, unbelievably, 40 mph! Even though there have been many serious accidents over the past years.

The site also has serious issues with runoff water, which adds to the flooding further down the road which has been on occasions impassable.

There is already development taking place at the old Endon riding school and other sites have been earmarked for future development. The beauty of this area, enjoyed by both locals and visitors, could easily be lost if we don't preserve the character of our local countryside.

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