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Comments: I strongly object to the proposed development being planned in Reserved Matters, SMD/2022/0267 and SMD/2022/0268.

My reasons:

The imposing three storey buildings are not in keeping with the existing residences and landscape in Cresswell, a rural hamlet. They will set an unwelcome precedence for the surrounding villages/local area, if approved. The rural area will become urbanised.

The position of the imposing three storey apartment buildings at the entrance of Blythe Park will appear oppressive and have long shadows. They are a dense building and far higher than the existing buildings on the opposite side of Sandon road. The existing residents who live in the buildings opposite to the proposed three storey buildings will have the countryside outlook obstructed and a loss of privacy by being overlooked. Additionally, the existing residents will be subjected to an increase in noise levels. Why have three storey buildings been passed by planning when, in the past, existing residents have not been allowed by SMDC to raise the height of their buildings?

Looking at the plans, it appears that the overall development is compact and lacking green space between the houses. Some houses will have new shared boundaries imposed on them leading to them forfeiting their outlook and privacy.

The shared access road leading to the potential Helicopter Manufacturing Facility (ref SMD/2022/0275) runs through the middle of the residential estate. HGVs connected with the building of this eventually large estate of 159 houses and a Helicopter Manufacturing Facility do not mix with families with young children who play outside or the elderly and infirm crossing their residential roads. Additionally, there will potentially be hazardous fuel tankers using the road to access the Helicopter Manufacturing Facility. To have a shared access road for HGVs, fuel tankers, commercial and residential traffic will be an accident waiting to happen. It seems to me to be very poor planning and beyond belief.

Alarming concerns with regards to the large increase in traffic on the Cresswell Lane towards Draycott. The

following hazards immediately come to mind: railway crossing, blind spots, pinch points, speeding and in particular, an increase of the traffic congestion (which already exists at peak times) at the junction with Draycott. Will the HGVs_; pass each other safely at the pinch points, I wonder? The increase in traffic will also impact the roads of Hilderstone, Fulford, Saverley Green, Draycott and none of these villages have been consulted.

Concerns about the increase in demand on services such as GP, Dentists, Schools, etc.

Yet more wildlife habitats, trees and green fields to be sacrificed for humans when climate and environmental issues are becoming increasingly obvious. A serious, real and current issue of today, not tomorrow. Why are we not thinking differently?

This proposed estate seems to cater for first time buyers, people on low income, families, but not the elderly. Care home provision in the district is in need of serious addressing! Wouldn't more care homes or suitable provision for elderly accommodation free up existing housing stock?

Inadequate/poor public consultation. The surrounding villages of Hilderstone, Fulford, Saverley Green and Draycott have not been consulted, although they will, of course, be impacted by increased traffic problems such as congestion, flow, accidents, HGV_;s using the surrounding roads. Unacceptable to say the least.

I reiterate my strong objection to the inappropriate development of Cresswell, Blythe Park.

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