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Submission: Objection

Comments: Dear Sir/Madam,

Once again I am writing to formally object to the planning application SMD/2021/0491. As echoed by other public responses, it would appear as though none of the very real concerns those of us actually living on Tenford Lane have, have been addressed - certainly not in any way that the average layperson can understand. I have seen no mention in any of the revised information the council has received from the applicant, of the impact of the huge increase in traffic on an already dangerous, single lane road, or of the future plans to secure planning permission to build on the land marked on the plan as 'Public Open Space' - we all know that once 40+ houses are built and valuable countryside has been destroyed, obtaining approval for another 40 on the aforementioned space will be much easier.

I feel extremely disheartened and let down by Staffordshire Moorlands District Council that none of the local residents concerns are being addressed or even listened to. From my point of view it seems as though we are just a box ticking exercise and the impact of the proposed development on our futures is actually of no concern to anybody in the planning department. If it was I really feel that our concerns about road safety in particular would have been addressed and I invite members of the planning team to visit Tenford Lane at peak travel times and consider the impact of an additional 40 cars (and I would suggest that 40 is a very conservative number given that there is no public transport to speak of, little local employment that could be commutable on foot or bicycle and most households have at least two occupants in employment).

Whilst revisions appear to have been made (although those of us not in property development have no chance understanding the documentation) regarding surface water drainage, the fact remains that any development, however efficient it may be, will only exacerbate existing conditions. During the last few weeks of dry weather, on the first day of any sustained rain, water gathered at the bottom of Tenford Lane on the A522 in a short space of time. This is already a very busy road and a dangerous junction.

I implore the planning department to reconsider their approval of the planning application on the grounds of safety, impact on neighbouring properties, local amenities and infrastructure, and the unnecessary destruction of much needed wildlife habitat.

Regards, K Morris

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