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Site Address: The Grange Clay Lake Endon Staffordshire ST9 9DD Stoke-On-Trent
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Submission: Objection
Comments: I wish to object to the above proposal to build a small housing estate on Clay Lake.

Site access to this development is on a blind bend and steep hill. Turning right out of the site entrance would be a risk because if a vehicle is coming down the hill they will not see the exiting vehicle until they get quite close and, particularly if they are exceeding the speed limit, there is a real risk of a collision. The driver of the exiting vehicle may be able to hear the oncoming traffic - but probably not if it is an electric vehicle. While the site is being constructed there will be a massive increase in construction vehicles (some slow moving) leaving the site so that the risk of an accident becomes even greater. This would also affect the amount of traffic on Clay Lake which is already a problem for local residents, particularly during rush hours and school drop-off and pick-up times when the road can become quite dangerous owing to parking and school children milling around.

School children use the footpath daily and have to walk past this proposed development on the same side of the road. They have to cross the road just at the top end of the blind bend, which is dangerous for them so that any additional traffic makes things worse.

The site plan does not appear to have enough provision for parking when anybody has visitors or deliveries and it would clearly be terribly dangerous if they tried to park on Clay Lake itself.

I have lived on Clay Lake or Edge Lane (just off Clay Lake) for over 60 years and have seen or been aware of numerous accidents. As already mentioned this is at times a very busy road and having a substantial number of additional cars, vans etc entering from a side entrance is bound to cause problems. This also affects the problem of turning right out of Clay Lake onto the A53. This can be horrendous and dangerous with traffic coming from and to 4 different roads.

The site plan appears to encroach onto natural woodland where there is a wide variety of wildlife which is bound to be affected by the reduction in green space and by the noise of on-site traffic. It also appears that there are plans to remove at least 7 mature trees with no intention of them being replaced.

The site is completely unsuitable for the area which is characterised by and well-know for its individual detached houses. This proposal would spoil the semi-rural nature of Clay Lake and is completely unsuitable.

I trust the application will be refused.

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