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Site Address: Cross Inn Ash Tree Road Hoftens Cross Cauldon Low Staffordshire ST10 3EX Stoke On Trent

Comments by: Mr Neil Walker Resident

From:

Garston
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Submission: Objection

Comments: I wish to formally object the the demolition of The Cross Inn. The Cross Inn is Circa 17th Century building that forms a critical part of the Hoftens Cross / Cauldon Low settlement. Its built form is of the local vernacular, and as such is one of a few, and I fear, diminishing local heritage asset's that gives the Staffordshire Moorlands its sense of place and uniqueness.

The loss of such a building to be replaced by temporary static caravans would not only be a travesty, but would also run against planning guidelines that are set out in the Churnet Valley Masterplan who's aims are to conserve, enhance and celebrate the heritage of the area.

The Supplementary Planning Document goes onto say the following;

The area;s designated heritage assets (listed buildings, scheduled ancient monuments and conservation areas)and its non-designated heritage assets shall be protected and maintained in a state of good repair and enhanced wherever possible.

Therefore, the planning committee must follow their own guidance, protect the building and refuse the application.

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