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Application Reference No. : SMD/2025/0104 Site Address: The Grange Clay Lake Endon Staffordshire ST9 9DD
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Submission: Objection

Comments: I have reviewed The Grange revised development proposal and I must maintain my objection to development on this land.

The proposed six dwelling plan will deliver: An overcrowded housing estate, Increased noise, car parking issues and air pollution issues within and beyond the site. Dark and damp gardens, which will be shaded by the surrounding trees, the hillside and by the proposed 3 story dwellings and their garden boundaries. Endon has few facilities to support additional housing and population.

Increased car volume on Clay Lake remains a concern. There is already too much traffic on Clay Lake for the T-junction with the A53.

The site plan details 3-4 parking spaces per property (drive & garage) for the 6 properties. However, the potential number of occupants for the dwellings is greater:

3 * Five bed (6 persons/ unit) = 18 persons

3 * Four bed (5 persons/ unit) = 15 persons

The estimated capacity for the development is 33 residents with 19 available parking spaces. A car is a must have requirement to live and work from Endon. The average age that children leave their parental home in the UK is 23. The site will not support the volume of cars that will be required at any one time by the number of residents and their visitors. There is no space for on-road parking within the design, there is no parking on Clay Lake or the A53 that can function as an overflow.

Existing residents on Clay Lake, Stoney Lane and the houses on the adjacent fields will be impacted by a c2 year building project and ongoing noise and light levels when the site becomes occupied, with potential drainage and flooding risks for the properties below the site.

The biodiversity of the adjacent woodland Stonehay Wood and surrounding land will be impacted by a c2 year building project, ongoing noise and light levels when the site is occupied. Stonehay Wood is home and shelter to Buzzards, Foxes, Rabbits, Squirrels, Kestrels, Roe Deer, Tawny Owls, Barn Owls, Green Woodpeckers, Greater Spotted Woodpeckers, Tree Creepers, Nuthatches, Pheasants, Wood Pigeons and large colonies of bats to name a few key species. These species live and shelter in the wood, but require the surrounding land to hunt and feed. The open land at The Grange is an important site for the wildlife at Stonehay Wood.

The development will impact the view from the public footpath between Edge Lane and Brookfield Avenue, which attracts 100s of walkers (Families, Dog Walkers and Walk Groups) every year. Listed as part of the Endon Springs AA Rated Walk, the proposed properties will negatively impact the view across to the Churnet Valley for all those that come to Endon to enjoy the countryside.

The proposed development is not in the interest of improving Endon and should not be approved.

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