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Submission: Support
Comments: Subject: Representation in Support of the 50-Home Development

Dear Planning Committee,

I am writing in support of the proposed 50-home development in Cheadle and would like to comment specifically on some of the mental-health-related objections that have been raised.

It is important that residents' wellbeing is respected, but planning decisions must be based on material planning considerations, not assumptions about personal reactions to change. The concerns raised about 'environmental stressors' are broad and speculative, and are not supported by any site-specific evidence. General claims about noise, traffic or loss of tranquillity do not automatically constitute a mental-health impact, especially where professional assessments submitted with the application already demonstrate that levels remain within acceptable planning standards.

The suggestion that existing views and open space are 'essential' to individual wellbeing is understandable on a personal level, but the land in question is privately owned and currently used only for grazing under a rental arrangement. Enjoyment of a view does not create entitlement or control over how the owner chooses to use their land, whether for continued grazing, community use, or appropriate development. Planning policy recognises that change is not, in itself, a mental-health harm.

Several objections call for a specialist mental-health impact assessment. However, such assessments are not a standard or required part of residential planning applications unless there is clear, measurable, and site-specific evidence of likely harm—which has not been demonstrated here. The professional reports already submitted with

the application cover transport, ecology, noise and other environmental considerations, and collectively show that the development is acceptable.

It is important that planning decisions are made on the basis of evidence, policy and need, not speculative assertions. This development will deliver much-needed housing for local families and support the long-term vitality of the community.

For these reasons, I respectfully support the application and hope it is approved.

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