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Application Reference No. : SMD/2025/0501 Site Address: FORMER GOODS YARD ON LAND ON THE SOUTH WEST OF Post Lane Endon Staffordshire Comments by: Ian lawtonn/a

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Submission: Objection

Comments: As previously stated the entrance to this site is 25 yards from a very narrow bend in Post Lane, it's difficult for cars travelling in each direction to navigate. From the entrance you cannot see cars approaching the bend from your right and likewise cars approaching from the direction of Stanley will not be able to see cars pulling out or turning into the site entrance. As well as cars Station Road and Post Lane are very well used by cyclists.

The site has quite a few trees around its perimeter that is used by a number of different varieties of birds and on my many walks I've witnessed owls using the woods.

When the children are coming out of our local schools, Station Road, car parks situated directly off Station Road and neighbouring streets are very busy with people who park their cars waiting to collect their children from school.. This is a very busy time and together with the stationary cars and pupils on foot crossing the road to go to the convenience store makes this a busy road. I consider this a dangerous road at these times and would not wish for anyone to be injured due to the increase in the volume of traffic.

When we first moved to our current home and required home insurance we decided to stay with Lloyds who we'd previously been insured with at our previous address in the Stoke on Trent area. We were shocked to find that Lloyds refused to offer us any insurance, stating that the house was built on a flood plain. I have looked at the ground of the proposed site which currently has a hardcore surface that's porous and so will filter the water that gradually flows into Endon Brook. I'm not convinced that this surface would be conducive with that of a site for people to use as a holiday home and I would expect a non-porous surface to be added at some stage if this application were to be granted. This would mean that water would flow more quickly into the brook, the levels get higher each year with an exceptionally quick flow. Often the level of water increases to the height of the pipes and they cannot be seen. The proof of this can be seen in the fields on your right as you travel from Endon towards Leek. Every year one of these fields gets flooded however this year there are two flooded fields. If the site was to be left with a hardcore surface then the amount of dirt transferred from tyres of vehicles using the site would increase the dirt on the road surface making it slippery and hazardous in wet conditions. The responsibility for making sure that public highway does not become dirty with dirt from the site is the legal responsibility of the owner of the site, as outlined under the Highways Act 1980 (sections 137, 148, 161). The act states the cleaning of any such road should be done during the working day and always at the end of the day. Should there be a requirement for the area to be cleaned by the local authority, then they have the power to recover their expenses from the owner.

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