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Planning Application DC/20/0110/RM

We would like to reiterate our objections to the plans for Phase 2 of this development. We originally objected to the provision of 4-storey flats as part of the development as there were none in the town and we felt they would overshadow the existing houses.

We note they have now been moved to one of the highest parts of the development. We still feel that these are three and a half and four storey 'Blocks of Flats' as they are totally out of keeping with the housing in the surrounding area. If you consider the view as shown from 'Streetscenes E-F', if these flats are built this high there isn't one as they would be built on higher ground which will mean that they will dominate the sky line. The houses are so crowded together and small that they do not fit with the rest of the town. A second objection is the layout of parking spaces mainly, but not inclusively, for the flats. It looks as though the way they have been positioned is because they had to be there rather than to serve their purpose. This will most likely result in people parking closer to their doors on the road side.

The town does not have sufficient amenities for the housing already here never mind this extra which is planned. We ask, will schools have the capacity to cope with the extra children living in these new houses. Previous developments have planned space for extra schools which have not been built. Doctors surgeries are already overloaded with patients making it extremely difficult to obtain an appointment to see a doctor. Our Ambulance service has been reduced and the police station closed. This side of town has only one small corner shop built on the Hales Barn estate. There has to be a limit to all this expansion.

As there is very little increase in the amount of jobs being created in the town, we would suppose that most of these new houses will be purchased by people living elsewhere. With the A1307 already overcrowded and the A143 not much better, this is not going to improve things. Local councils and indeed the government should be trying to provide a happy and stress-free environment for its citizens, this development does not do this.

Regards

Mr & Mrs A Turner