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Address of Development: 27-29 Bawdlands Clitheroe BB7 2LA

Comments: I have exponentially from the obvious expansion of Clitheroe to the outer suburbs with the just the 2 roads in and out. Eshton terrace and Bawdlands. Combined with the rail crossing it makes Corporation st and the narrow st of Bawdlands very busy for traffic, which is becoming like living in a city. It is becomming more and more dangerous.

Times change, but converting 1 house into 8 flats is just patently profit driven for no regards of the needs or wants of the local residence many of whom have lived in these houses for many years. Combine the potential in at least 4 (more probable if couples then a car each) with the parking already at a premium due to parents dropping off their kids and waiting for the Ribble valley dragon centre next to the potential HMO Property.

So in summary - parking is already a problem, this will make it worse. It is farcical to put in the application the public paid carparks as a reference. I note that there are no double lines on the side of the road of thorn st that traditionally people leave clear as they did down Eshton terrace until the mill was converted. People will park on there and cause absolute gridlock of a morning and evening with pave for only 1 car to pass, for what must be thousands now living down Henthorn rd and beyond in the new estates.

Next point. There is already a HMO around the corner on Henthorn, another in the same are is not required.

Next point, a more suitable conversion would be for an affordable family home, for larger familys that they can actually afford. I know of a few familys with 4 / 5 children whom all would love to not to share one bedroom and still live in Clitherore where they we born, but cannot afford 1/2 million plus for a 4 bed house.. this property would be ideal, but of course the HMO will make the owner a lot more money with single "flats".

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If this this is granted, I believe the flood gates will open for more homes to be converted, I for one will consider my home, as after a hard days work, to come home to find cars littered around your property and have to park in front of other homes, many streets away sometimes, is just not right, so if you

can't beat em join em, I also may as well make a quick buck, I reckon I could fit 5 / 6 single flats in my house, I jest, partly..

Final point - I see the owner / Builder assumes this planning application is a shoe in, Having looked through the door today, all the walls are up inside for the individual flats, a long way past remedial works, so I assume why spend all that money if this is not already a done deal?

I sincerely hope not and common sense prevails rather than another nail in the area turning into an inner city.

Yours,