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Address of Development: Clitheroe Golf Club,
BB7 1PP

Your Comments: Please find below our objections to the proposed screen netting.

It is our belief that the netting as proposed at 5.8 meters would simply be ineffective at stopping the most dangerous balls. The vast majority of balls travel high through the tree canopy and often hit the roof tiles before bouncing into the gardens. I have found just as many balls out the front of our house as I have in our garden, meaning the balls have completely cleared the trees and the houses.

The area of woodland that runs along the boundary is an absolute haven for wildlife. We regularly see Bats, Wood Peckers, Owls, Perigean falcons, Hawks, Hares, and so on. We would fear such a structure would be detrimental to the wildlife habitats and particularly dangerous to the birds and bats. There are many cases reported of birds and bats being caught in nets and dying. The fence

would be exactly in the space the birds and bats fly in to reach their nest.

The netting as proposed would be an extremely oppressive structure towering above the adjacent houses and would have a permanent and intrusive presence. It would directly obscure the light for the four property's that would face directly onto it. This would be particularly true in the early evening. This I believe would be detrimental to the mental wellbeing of the affected residents.

The wider visual impact of the netting would be significant and it would be visible from all along Whalley road, particularly in the winter months when the trees were bare. A view that is presently natural woodland would be blighted forever by a very large man made structure.

There are various other solutions that would be far less intrusive and have a far lesser visual impact, not to mention cheaper.

Simply moving the first tee would completely negate the issue and it would have a negligible cost implication, and there would be no issues of visual impact on the landscape.