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Planning Application Reference Number: 3/2021/0555

Address of Development: 42 Knowsley Road, Wilpshire, BB1 9PN

Your Comments: My household objects to the said planning application for the following reasons:

1. The young people in the unit will have regular visitors, whether professional or family, in addition to the staff manning the unit. The application indicates that there is space at No 42 for ten cars and a turning circle. This is blatantly untrue. If 10 cars were parked within the boundaries of the property they would be nose to tail and parked within inches of each other. There would be no turning circle which would result in cars having to manoeuvre around each other and reverse directly onto Knowsley Road, an already congested, busy road.

The traffic management and resulting congestion on Knowsley Road is an increasing problem and if granted the application will serve to substantially add to both issues.

The entrance to No 42 is directly opposite the junction of Knowsley Road and Brooklyn Road. Large commercial trucks and tractors require regular access to and egress from Brooklyn Road to serve the local farm. As a result, car parking is not possible on the pavement directly outside No42 without seriously obstructing Brooklyn Road residents, farm vehicles and associated commercial vehicles turning out of or into Brooklyn Road and buses serving Knowsley Road.

Currently, cars make use of parking on the pavement directly opposite the entrance to No 42, but this very limited space serves current residents of Knowsley Road and is typically fully occupied.

In addition, Knowsley Road is used as a rat run with the traffic calming measures proving a wholly inadequate barrier to speeding cars racing to beat the traffic lights at the Wilpshire Hotel. The chicane effect of the parked cars, inadequate speed humps and speeding vehicles is currently a dangerous situation for both pedestrians and drivers and encouraging more cars to park in the immediate vicinity of the Brooklyn and Knowsley Road junction would be reckless and in complete disregard for resident and driver safety.

2. The garden area at No 42 may provide some outdoor respite to the young residents. However, young people want more than to be tied down to finding entertainment in a garden, particularly teenagers. It is highly likely that the garden will prove inadequate and as such, the teenagers will understandably seek alternatives. There are no alternatives in the Knowsley Road neighbourhood. As a result, we have already seen an increase in anti-social behaviour in what is a quiet residential neighbourhood, including noise, car damage, drug paraphernalia on the pavements, teenage gatherings and street football, to name but a few. As No 42 is located immediately next to a network of ginnels and rear property access to a number of houses, none of which are visible from the street, these are potential hotspots for anti-social behaviour.