

Planning Department,
SDCC
Tallaght
Dublin 24.

14/Sept/2021.

Objections to the County Development Plan 2022 - 2028

To whom it concerns,

We, Eamonn and Jacintha Heffernan, [REDACTED] wish to vehemently object to the proposed development on the green space between The View and The Dale, Belgard Heights, Tallaght.

- This amenity has been enjoyed & regularly used by residents of this private housing estate and close knit community for over 50 years. We are aghast that the Council has even considered building on this public amenity at this time. There are over 600 houses in Belgard Heights and we as residents, appreciate and value greatly the small green spaces we have in the area.
- Belgard Heights has benefited greatly in recent years with the influx of many young families. They use this Green Space on a daily basis, as it is a safe, secure environment for their children and friends. This was particularly evident during the COVID-19 lock down, when we were restricted to 5k, we could avail of this space, safe in the knowledge that we were observing Covid-19 guidelines. As a matter of urgency we appeal to the Planning Committee to ensure that the Green space is preserved for all of our future generations.
- There are also a number of mature trees on this green space, which, we've always been told, by the Council, cannot be removed due to environmental issues. Suddenly with the proposed planning and loss of the green space the mature and valued trees are no longer an issue!
- Another point we'd like to raise is the foul drainage system and the rain water drains that cannot handle any extra pressure or new development in the estate. Indeed, our countless, logged phone calls over the years will verify the myriad of problems we, as residents, have with the blocked drains in the Estate. We regularly have to call the water department to unblock the drains particularly at The View and The Dale, the site of the proposed development!
- We also have a major concern regarding the increased traffic in the Estate, especially now as residents return to work. There are only two exit /entry roads into Belgard Heights, and it is extremely difficult to get out of the Estate in the morning especially with the Luis taking precedence at peak times.
- The proposed development will be extremely noisy for future residents as we live 200 meters from the Luis and the main road and we hear the noise of both which is extremely irritating.

Please acknowledge receipt of this objection.

Yours sincerely,

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Eamonn & Jacintha Heffernan

