

Written presentation made on behalf of Penllergaer Community Council

To

Members of the Planning Committee of the City and Council of Swansea

In relation to

A Planning Applications under the Town & Country Planning Act 1990

For

Application reference 2018/2697/OUT

At

Land South Of The A4240, Parc Mawr, Penllergaer, Swansea

At

A Remote planning meeting held on the 17th July 2020

15th July 2020

Introduction

This written presentation is made to assist Members in, hopefully, the making of a properly judged decision in respect of their determination of planning application reference **2018/2697/OUT** .

Penllergaer Community Council readily recognises the plethora of information contained within the Officer's report which Members are being asked to consider in order to arrive at their decision .

Against this background, we realise that little is to be achieved in reproducing for Member's further consideration the copious and reasoned submissions that have already been made in opposing this development throughout the entire LDP and planning application process .

We therefore propose, due to the time constraints involved with all of this, to concentrate our efforts on four of the more significant and compelling matters that challenge and undermine the adequacy of this application .

The sheer volume of objections and matters raised by the public to this scheme, as largely summarised within the Officer's report, creates an almost unprecedented level of opposition, highlighting not only the failings of the scheme to comply with national planning guidelines in relation to strategic planning, but also the **dismissive approach** that has continually been adopted to such objections. This has unfortunately continued all the way through to this stage .

Nothing better identifies this dismissive approach than an email from a senior planning officer to Cllr Wendy Fitzgerald as far back as 2015 which said :

*The reality is that the strategic sites proposed to be built through the LDP will not happen overnight, they will take 20 years or more to build out – **ironically when many of the current opponents will no longer be around** . (emphasis added) Such objections don't wash with me and more importantly they don't wash with the Planning Inspectorate either.*

We hope that due cognizance will be given by Members to this written submission, rather than the dismissive approach previously adopted, and we would therefore simply focus on the following :

- **Highway congestion**
- **Agricultural loss**
- **Brynrhos Crescent access**
- **Safeguarding public interest.**

We trust this submission will be received and dealt with by Members in the same manner and sentiment it has been written and prepared .

