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I would like to make an observation on the proposed development at Omni place. 475 apartments 4 to 12 stories.

Firstly I wanted to mention I have no objections to new homes in the area. It's just the way it's all been done.

Everyone knows how busy the roads are in Santry.. I personally find it hard to even turn out of my estate the traffic. One of those traffic counts was done during the height of lockdown. That is hardly an accurate read. My own road on Shanliss avenue is a Rat run and getting busier. I would never feel safe letting my child out in the garden for fear of cars.

The last time I called my GP it took about 20 phone calls before anyone picked up and I eventually got a call back just before they closed for the day. This was to see my 3 year old. There needs to be far more services in the area. The place I bring my child for check ups looks like a shed. There isn't even a library in santry. I can't even get swimming lessons even in surrounding areas for my child as waiting lists are so high. School starts next year and in am already nervous I am not going to be able to get a spot. I recall the difficulty of finding childcare several years back.

The car park at the omni is like Christmas week on a normal day. Getting in and out is disastrous not to mention 475 apartments right beside here.

Thankfully Fingal cc have took amazing care of santry park as it is the only green place around to bring children. Santry avenue Is not safe for bikes at all. The traffic on this road has always been a problem/ can't even imagine the addition of thousands more residents.

Another big concern I have on the shadowing is solar panels. I assume they not be allowed to shadow any home that relies on the sun to power these panels.

So yes while I do think more homes are needed I believe a plan for santry should be put in place first and secondly the height is absolutely shocking. Imagine paying 450 plus for a family home on Shanliss avenue with a private garden to find out not 5 or 6 stories Maybe over looking your garden but Twelve! There is no way that won't effect their sunlight and privacy. Absolutely devastating.

I really hope the residents are taken into consideration. Doesn't feel like anyone listens to any of the concerns around here. Even trees that were removed have not been replaced after years. There is not enough resources in the area. We are here almost 10 years and I have not seen much done to the area at all in that time. I see apartments shooting up with left right and centre. All the talk of retail units along with residential then you see the apartments already up with empty units just sitting underneath them. That's depressing. There are many young families like my own who have moved to Santry to bring our children up and I think our voices should be an important part of the community.