



Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to make an observation on the proposed Strategic Housing Development (SHD) on the site of the old shopping centre in Dundrum village.

Many local residents have contacted me as their constituency TD to voice their concerns, and suggest alterations, regarding this proposed development. In particular, they have expressed their worry that the proposed height and density of the development will place undue pressure on local infrastructure, such as public transport, roads, and schools.

Residents are especially worried that the proposed sixteen-storey height of one of the apartment blocks is excessive and not in keeping with the surrounding area. I note also that the proposed Dundrum Civic Centre is not included in the plans, and this, I believe, would be a worthy addition to any development on this site.

It is vital that any development at this site only proceeds after thorough, genuine consultation with the existing local community. This will help ensure that the new residents will feel integrated into the community when they eventually move into their new homes.

I would ask, therefore, that An Bord Pleanála give strong consideration to the concerns of all local residents, and takes their views into account, when the Board makes its decision.

Kind Regards,

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