

Item 4A

DC/2021/00125 – 10 St Andrews Drive, Crosby

WARD COUNCILLOR CHRISTINE HOWARD'S STATEMENT IN OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION.

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Thank you for the opportunity to make this representation to planning committee.

As has been noted in the reports pack for this meeting, 'the rhythm, grain and density [of the proposed development] would not necessarily align with the majority of St Andrews Drive' but is considered to be consistent with Manor Road and the surrounding area. Residents have commented that they did not choose to live in St Andrews Drive because of the character of the surrounding area, but because of the character of St Andrews Drive itself. The character would be changed if the proposed development were to go ahead, not only because of the style of the buildings, but because of the distance between the two houses (1.199m).

The residents who live close to the site are also concerned about their privacy should the development go ahead. I welcome the fact that proposed condition number 7 includes a requirement for all first-floor side-facing windows to be fitted with obscured glazing, however, if these windows can be opened, near-neighbours will still be overlooked. I would therefore ask committee to consider a condition that first-floor side-facing windows be fixed instead of openable.

Finally, I would ask committee to consider a condition restricting permitted development to avoid near-neighbours' privacy from being compromised by future developments to the properties.

Thank you.