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To: Section 62A Applications Non Major

Subject: Re: Planning Application S62A/2025/0133 Stoke Lodge, Shirehampton Road, Bristol. BS9 2BH.

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From: David Main,

I am writing as a local resident to object to the planning application noted above for 8nr CCTV poles and cameras. Each 6m pole will have 3nr cameras mounted on giving a total of 24nr cameras. Reasons for the objection are as follows:-

# 1. The overall scheme is highly intrusive and an invasion of privacy.

Camera position 1 on the corner of the pavilion, if it is to cover all of the area along the fence line, will due to the coverage angles involved have to have cameras viewing into the gardens of South Dene quite possibly up to the houses themselves. This is well beyond the fence boundary. Our property is one of these affected along with the others on South Dene. This is a gross invasion of privacy. The houses along South Dene have a clear view of Stoke Lodge and I do not believe any screening will ensure our privacy. In fact, any screening would curtail the visual amenity from the properties. Other properties around Stoke Lodge from other camera locations will have the same issue.

## 2. There is no necessity for these proposed CCTV cameras.

BS9 is a low crime area. There is now sadly a fence around Stoke Lodge. Also, on the pavilion and the maintenance building to the East of Stoke Lodge there are already low-level CCTV cameras. The site is already secure without further disproportionate and far more intrusive CCTV coverage on 6m high industrial poles.

The school which is circa 3 miles away hardly uses Stoke Lodge. When they do, they generally only utilise the top third of the area. The pupils are bussed in and out to Stoke Lodge and fully supervised at all times. There is therefore adequate safeguarding in place with the supervision and thus no need for CCTV cameras to constantly monitor the area.

#### 3. Visual Impact.

The camera pole heights at 6m are higher than the pavilion tower and three times higher than the fence. They will create an ugly visually intrusive industrial type feature in historic parkland which is designated as important open space. It will make the parkland in association with the fence look like a prison camp. They are totally inappropriate in such a location.

## 4. Previous CCTV Refusal.

A previous application for CCTV Ref. 20/01826/F at the proposed camera 5 site by the Stoke Lodge Learning Centre was refused by Bristol City Council. This should then set a logical precedent that if one CCTV camera has been refused the 8nr, 6m high poles with three cameras each should also be refused.

### 5. CCTV Usage.

Furthermore, there is no mention of what safeguards for use of the CCTV will be in place. Who will be monitoring these camera views, how will data be stored, who will have access to it. Bearing in mind there is a children's play park at Stoke Lodge these are all serious and legitimate concerns regarding privacy.

In summary for the reasons above the planning application should be refused.