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Dear Sir or Madam,

Subject Ref: R18/127 & 115 Parcel CR4 SHLAA Ref 15231

I am a Croft resident and would like to object to the proposed building of an additional 200+ houses in Croft on the following basis.

Croft is a very small village with very limited services and facilities. Its two primary schools and nurseries are at full capacity; it has no shops and one public house. Its nearest shops are two miles away and these shops are only small local shops. There is already a problem with a high volume of traffic in the area and with the possibility of around 400 additional cars this will be exacerbated. As Croft only has very limited bus services these additional cars are likely to be heavily used. Currently the noise from traffic travelling along Lord Street / Mustard Lane is extremely loud particularly for those houses close to the road. It is impossible to keep a bedroom window open overnight as the loud, continuous traffic noise starts very early in the morning. There is also constant traffic noise throughout the day. The level of noise from traffic travelling along this main route would be even worse if the proposed developments go ahead and add to the number of vehicles in the local area.

In addition to the shops, the doctors' surgery is also two miles away in the village of Culcheth. The surgery is currently stretched and it can be difficult to book appointments. It is

unlikely to be able to accommodate all the additional proposed residents in Croft. Also, as mentioned previously, the majority of any additional patients are likely to drive to and from the surgery due to limited public transport adding to the traffic volume and noise level.

The proposed developments would destroy a large section of the Greenbelt area in Croft which would have an adverse impact on the environment. The area currently provides a habitat for a large wildlife population and this would also be destroyed. Overall it would completely adversely alter the nature of Croft village.

The development of the proposed sites would cause serious long term disruptions for the residents and these disruptions will impact on their access to their nearest shops, post office, pharmacies and doctors' surgery which are located in Culcheth. The noise and traffic levels from construction vehicles would also add to the disruption during this long time period. In addition to this, the area is also going to be severely impacted by similar disruptions due to the building of the HS2 railway.

There would also need to be extensive works to extend existing services such as water, sewage pipes, telephone lines, internet services and electricity. As well as causing severe disruptions to road journeys these works are likely to have a long term impact on the service being provided to existing residents.

Yours faithfully,

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