

# **Comments for Planning Application 161057/DPP**

## **Application Summary**

Application Number: 161057/DPP

Address: Land At Huxterstone Lang Stracht Aberdeen AB15 8

Proposal: Erection of 20 houses

Case Officer: Dineke Brasier

## **Customer Details**

Name: Mr Kingswells Community Council

Address: 3 Corse Avenue, Aberdeen AB15 8TL

## **Comment Details**

Commenter Type: Community Councillor

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

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Kingswells Community Council objects to the increase in the number of homes on the application site. The application is for 20 homes. However, examination of the Design Review and Remix proposal shows that on the section of the site in question (the green zone), the number of homes will actually be increased from 19 to 24, a net increase of 5 homes on the current allocation.

Originally, the provision in the Local Development Plan was for 120 homes at West Huxterstone. In 2013, Dandara was given permission to build 46 homes and Stewart Milne Homes a further 97, giving a total of 143. The Community Council always felt this number was excessive, with too many homes being crammed onto the site. If the latest application (161057) is approved then a further 5 homes will be added, giving a total of 148. This will be nearly 25% higher than the number allocated in the Local Plan and site masterplan.

Kingswells Community Council strongly disapproves of this kind of creeping expansion of the housing allocation which only sets a precedent for other future developments. By cramming in more homes the applicant is putting even more pressure on the primary school. Instead they should be providing more open space and a better living environment for the homes already approved. House building should be more about developing good quality spaces in which communities can develop and not just maximising the number of housing units that can be squeezed onto the site.