Stantonbury Neighbourhood Plan, Reg 16 consultation responses

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I have recently been informed of the plan to redevelop a range of areas of Stantonbury Parish and write with specific regard to SNP18, the Garages at the rear of Rowle Close and Ormonde.

As noted in your plan, the site has fallen into major disrepair but has been like this for many years now. I currently have an active complaint with the Council regarding the condition as believe it to be a health and safety hazard. This is two fold in that the large volume of waste and combustible materials poses a serious fire risk when there is already similar anti-social behaviour in the area, and also that I have witnessed rats and other vermin within this waste.

No effort has ever been made to tidy this area and only myself and a dozen or so other owners keep their garages tidy with locked doors. The rest of the area is either in ruin or has open fronted space to house the aforementioned waste.

I believe that the regeneration of this area would be a huge benefit for the current residents here as it would reduce the negative effect and anti-social behaviour given by the state of repair of the garages. With the correct reimbursement in place, I think it would be welcome to most that own their facilities. I do feel this trade off will be key as we purchased our properties with this facility and so to lose its use completely with be detrimental.

I feel that one critical area will be the issue of parking in the area and this needs to be addressed seriously before any development could begin. With the garage area being in such an anti-social state, most residents park on the street at the front of their properties or along the very roads that will likely be used to access the new development. Taking away this area to put more houses and cars will cause further issues along Ormonde I feel. If this issue can be address and some of the green space along Ormonde used for parking off road, or suitable parking at the new developments with adequate lighting and security, this would also be a huge benefit to residents.

I would appreciate it if these comments could be passed onto the relevant personnel to form part of the decision for the area.