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I would like to make a further submission with regard to the application for review of the planning refusal at 22 Meggetland Terrace. EH14 1AR.

Planning Application: 23/06527/FUL

I uphold the Council Decision to refuse planning at this location: the proposed driveway gives on to a 90 degree bend in the road and is opposite access to 2 garages with hardstanding and a gated driveway.

As a Blue Badge parking permit holder, my Mother, [REDACTED] or persons using her permit are permitted to park outside [REDACTED] house on the double yellow lines opposite or in close proximity to the proposed access at 22 Meggetland Terrace. This facility enables [REDACTED] the easiest access to a motor vehicle and for her mobility scooter.

Blue Badge holders can park in the following bays: Disabled Badge holders only (there may be a time limit in the bay). The blue badge and clock must be displayed. On single or double yellow lines (except where there is a ban on loading or unloading) for up to 3 hours'

[REDACTED] side access gate is no longer used for vehicular access as it is unsuitable for her due to her lack of mobility.

The applicants comment that the entrance opposite the proposed location gives access to one garage is misleading. The entrance opposite gives access to 2 garages, an area of hardstanding and entrance to the driveway gates belonging to [REDACTED] This off road area is used by grocery delivery drivers and the garage owners.

Yours sincerely
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Response to submission 24/00096/REVREF | 23/06527/FUL | 22 Meggetland Terrace,
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I note there have been no objections to the proposal from any residents of Meggetland Terrace. In fact, I have asked the opinion of all my immediate neighbours and they are astonished at the rejection of the proposal. Considering the impact on climate issues, the move to electric vehicle surely has greater priority.

The objection of 14/5/24 states that the proposed driveway would be opposite another driveway. It is used by one car only. The other garage is used purely for storage and no longer suitable for parking. It has been out of use for the duration of my 30 years residence here. Delivery vehicles cannot park on the driveway as there are double yellow lines there. So, not only is it not a junction, as stated by the council decision, but it has virtually no vehicular use, and is of little impact on the proposed driveway.

Those wishing to park on the double yellow line on the bend in the road as stated in the objection, with a disabled badge, should be aware of the possible obstruction of parking there for lengthy periods as this could be hazardous. The proposed driveway on the opposite side of the road would pose no risk to the parked car. There have been driveways on this street for the 30 years I have been resident here with cars parked opposite driveways without incident. This only changed with the restricted parking which was introduced last year. The restrictions have also had the benefit of reducing the numbers of cars parked on the street and eased the vision of car drivers emerging from driveways.

In sum, as stated in my submission, this is an extremely quiet street. There is no junction. It leads nowhere other than from and back onto Colinton Road. The traffic is minimal – residents, very occasional service and delivery vehicles and no more than an average of one vehicle driving on the street per hour. Although it is in a bend in the road, vision is unobstructed in both directions and cannot be considered any greater risk than those emerging between parked cars or the driveway on the other bend in the road.

Yours sincerely

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