

**Subject:**

FW: 22/35765/FUL Serco application

**Call-in reasons**

- **Scale - the concentration of refugees in one place.**
- **Location – community concerns of risk of social tension.**
- **Pressure on public services - the capacity of local health, education, police and other support services.**
- **Permanent loss of the training support facilities at a time when learning and training provision is growing exponentially in Stafford - with the Learning Town ambitions, presence of three universities; international research of the new Health & Innovation Centre; invaluable expanding tertiary educational role of the town – we must not undermine its potential.**
- **The permission is applied for until 2029; having changed the use of the site what are the plans thereafter? This aspect would need strict conditions applied. The design statement claims that: “Asylum Seekers remain in their allocated DA until their application is determined, which could be months or years”.**
- **Inaccuracies: 1) the argument is made that the impact of this influx of people will not have a detrimental impact on the surrounding areas as there will be less asylum seekers than students previously. There have been almost no students housed in the buildings for the last several years, during which two major surrounding residential developments have been built. 2) The complex is described as in the open countryside – it is not. 3) Part of the application states families may be housed, later that they will not.**

Kind regards

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