

## The Planning Inspectorate

### COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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### Appeal Reference: APP/D1265/W/25/3372602

#### DETAILS OF THE CASE

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Appeal By CHURCHILL LIVING LTD

Site Address  
Land to the rear of 156-172  
South Street  
Bridport  
DT6 3NP

#### SENDER DETAILS

Name MR GLENN CRAWFORD

Address  
Ro-Betts Victoria Grove  
BRIDPORT  
DT6 3AF

#### ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- Appellant
- Agent
- Interested Party / Person
- Land Owner
- Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- Final Comments
- Proof of Evidence
- Statement
- Statement of Common Ground
- Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- Other

## YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

I am against the appeal proposals for reasons different to those given by the LPA.

My reasons are listed below in brief. I will compile and present evidence to the Inspector, as required, at the hearing.

1. There is an existing over-supply of open-market retirement homes for sale to local older residents. If more are built, it will attract retirees from outside of the area.
2. Bridport has a far higher than average proportion of older people and that is increasing. Attracting yet more older people from outside the area would be harmful to the town's prosperity and vitality.
3. The level of service charges which high-end retirement properties demand is beyond the means of local retirees, though not wealthier people from elsewhere.
4. The proposed retirement complex makes no provision for affordable homes. Without these it will be impossible to attract key workers to support these older, and eventually infirm, people to live at home. There is an acute shortage of Affordable Housing in Bridport.
5. With a limited supply of land for building new homes, it is vital that any site within the town area which becomes available for housing should provide a maximum number of affordable homes, in order to retain younger, working-age residents. The scheme proposed provides none whatever.