25/00457/FPM Mozart Court Fairview Road Stevenage Herts

Demolition of existing buildings and construction of accommodation for older people, comprising 79no. apartments and associated works.

Objection submitted by Cycling UK Stevenage

The only cycle parking provided at this development is two sets of 5 Sheffield stands for 20 standard cycles which entirely open to the elements close to the entrance to the site.

This does not meet the requirements of the SBC Parking SPD section 2.11 C3 Dwellings (without garage) which are required to have 1 long-term space per bedroom and 1 short-term space per 40 units. The Parking SPD specifically notes that this includes sheltered and supported housing.

The SPD 3.42 states "Where cycle parking is provided, it should be secure and sheltered, with convenient access to the street. The cycle parking proposed is not secure and is not sheltered.

There is no provision for the storage and charging of e-assist cycles or adapted cycles.

The developer has applied the Accessibility Zone 2, 50% - 75% reduction in car parking spaces. Access to safe and secure cycle parking is essential to enable residents to adopt cycling as a convenient alternative to car use.