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**BY: E: MAIL & LETTER**

Planning Ref: DM/20/03070/OUT

Date: 26th February 2021

Mr B Gavillet

Case Officer

Planning Development

(Strategic)

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Durham County Council

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Dear Mr Gavillet

**DM/20/03070/OUT Residential development of up 100 units and associated parking, open space, landscaping and access/Land To The North of Darlington Road Barnard Castle DL12 8QG**

On behalf of Marwood Parish Council I would like to highlight the following for your attention. After extensively reviewing the planning application documents for the proposed Banks Group development on Darlington Road Barnard Castle, it is apparent that there are a vast amount of public comments in favour of the development that appear to be generic with minor amendments from locations quite a distance from Barnard Castle and the surrounding areas. We fully understand that all voices must be heard, but as you know this proposed development is extremely important to the residents of Barnard Castle and with a matter so serious we would hope that all comments are ligament and that any attempt to undermine the planning process would be thoroughly reviewed and investigated. As the above has also been highlighted to ourselves by a number of residents and as the site falls within our parish boundary, we feel it is only right we voice our concerns.

To be continued …

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The council have also noticed quite a number of these public comments were issued after the **deadline** for comments had passed, therefore we would hope they would not contribute towards your final decision on the proposed development.

**Yours faithfully**

Miriam Fenwick (Mrs)

Parish Clerk

**For and on behalf of Marwood Parish Council**

Cc S Timmiss Head of Development and Housing