NO MEGA TESCO

Planning Application Reference 74393/FULL/2009

for redevelopment of Old Trafford Cricket Ground and erection of a food superstore lodged by Lancashire County Cricket Club and Tesco Stores Ltd

We, the undersigned, urge the Government Office for the North West to call in the above planning application for full, open and transparent consideration of the following issues:

- The scale of the proposed Tesco Superstore is grossly excessive for its location and would cause severe harm to the future vitality and viability of Stretford Town Centre, which is already in receivership. This runs contrary to government policy on Town Centres.
- The scale of the Tesco Superstore would have a significantly detrimental effect on shopping facilities in Trafford, Salford and Manchester.
- The Cricket club regeneration and the Tesco superstore should have been considered independently. The Tesco superstore has been recommended for approval on the back of popular support for the Cricket Club and a questionable cross-subsidy initiative. The Council's role in negotiations as both landowner and planning authority renders it unable to make a fit and proper decision.
- Consideration of both the Tesco and nearby Derwent Holdings (Sainsburys) applications has been hurried and the subject of serious inconsistencies by the Council's planning committee and officers. The process and decisions made on these applications were fundamentally flawed.
- The proposal conflicts in several key areas with government advice in PPS4 and PPG17, and also with key elements of the Council's own Unitary Development Plan (UDP) and emerging Core Strategy.

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