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To whom it may concern,

Please find below our collated response to the Draft Parking Standards for New Development Consultation.

Parking Standards

It is unclear how "District Centre" is being defined for this purpose.

- This appears to be tied to the Local Plan's definitions, which are aspirational rather than reflective of current. Cavendish Square is considered a District Centre, whereas Eldene centre is not despite having a full supermarket, or Liden Centre, which has similar level of amenity to Cavendish.
- The area designated as Cavendish is also very large with the northern extent (Marlowe Avenue) over 1.5km walk from Cavendish Square. By comparison nowhere in West Swindon District Centre is more than 1km from centre complex.

HMO Standards:

- The Parish Council believes this policy provides for completely inadequate cycle storage. It suggests approximately 0.5 cycle spaces per room. Each room is self-contained so there should be no expectation of sharing between tenants. Especially where the parking requirement is zero in Zone 1, so 1 cycle per each tenant should be minimum as it is the only means of transport. It is worth noting that Oxford City Council has a policy of 1 space per occupant.

Cycle standards:

- 2 cycle spaces for a 3+ bed house is inadequate. A family of 4 in a 3 bed house should reasonably be able to have 1 bike each.
- The Parish Council suggest that instead it increases on a formula of 2 spaces for a 2 bed dwelling + 0.5 per additional bedroom, rounded up.

EV provision:

- Government Policy states that this needs to be 100% by 2040. The draft suggests 30% active, 30% passive. The Parish Council believe this should be 30% active, 70% passive to be ready for 100%.