**16/01563/F Muddle Barn Farm, Colony Road, Sibford Gower**

**Comments from Sibford Ferris Parish Council**

As this property sits close to the border with the parish of Sibford Ferris and the proposed dwelling will be highly visible, the parish council would like to make comment on the application.

The parish council understands that the scale of the proposed dwelling and its siting have been amended from the previous application.

However, the design remains as a three-storey building to replace a two-storey building (H17).

The revised siting has not altered the fact that it will be positioned on a hill which will make it prominent when viewed from the valley to the east and its scale and design will be out of keeping with those around it (C30).

It is the view of the parish council, therefore, that the revised design still does not fit with planning policies as stated in the Cherwell Local Plan:

Local Plan C30: the new dwelling should be compatible with those around it in terms of appearance, character, layout, scale and density;

Local Plan H17: the scale of the new dwelling should not be significantly different to the one it is replacing.

The parish council therefore objects to this application.

Anita Spencer

Clerk

30.08.2016