

Comment for planning application 23/00977/OUT

Application Number	23/00977/OUT
Location	OS Parcel 9195 North Of Claydon Road Cropredy
Proposal	Outline Planning Application (except for access) for residential development of up to 60 dwellings (Use Class C3) including a community facility, new vehicular and pedestrian access off Claydon Road, public open space and associated landscaping, earthworks, parking, engineering works and infrastructure
Case Officer	Katherine Daniels
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Name	Clive Dunn
Address	19 Station Road, Cropredy, Banbury, OX17 1PS
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>I OBJECT to this Application for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Impact upon existing village size. Currently, Cropredy has approximately 300 dwellings and 600 residents. The Proposal would increase the size of the community by approximately 20%, which is disproportionate for a small village. Furthermore, the Proposal results in an expansion of the periphery of the village which is inappropriate for a small village. Development should be confined to limited in-fill dwellings in order to maintain the character of the village.2. Infrastructure. The road network connecting Cropredy consists of country lanes (Claydon Road, Oxhey Hill, Williamscot Road and Bourton Road). This network of roads was never intended to sustain current traffic density or modern vehicle sizes and weights. The lanes are in a poor state of repair with failure at verges being commonplace. The Proposal would add approximately 100 additional residents' vehicles to the existing community on Claydon Road. In addition to the movements of these vehicles, further traffic serving the development (e.g. trades, deliveries, visitors, etc.). Claydon Road is considered unsuitable for this additional traffic. Furthermore, Claydon Road does not have a footpath or designated cycleway to connect the development to the village.3. Amenities. Cropredy has limited amenities serving the community. The GP Surgery is currently supporting approximately 3000 patients from Cropredy and surrounding villages and is at risk of being overwhelmed by the residents of the Proposed development. Furthermore, Cropredy has no regular (daily) public transport service and Cropredy Primary School is unlikely to have the capacity to absorb children from such a sizeable development of the one Proposed.4. Foul water treatment. It is understood that the existing sewage treatment plant located on Williamscot Road serving Cropredy periodically discharges excessive quantities of untreated sewage into the River Cherwell. Furthermore, it is understood that Thames Water has no plans to increase the capacity of the plant. The discharge of sewage into the River Cherwell is of great concern to the community and the Proposed development would only serve to exacerbate an already unacceptable situation.5. Sacrifice of Open countryside. We are constantly reminded of the impact of our activities on climate change and the environment. It is of critical importance that we do not squander precious open countryside for housing. Cherwell DC, Cropredy Parish Council and the Cropredy Community has a collective responsibility to preserve open countryside, protect the fauna and flora that occupy it and maintain the character of the village. Planting trees and hedging will not offset the loss of the open space in any regard. <p>In summary, there is no justification for sacrificing open countryside on the periphery of a small village for development on this scale. The development as Proposed is incongruous with the character and future local plans of Cropredy and the existing infrastructure, amenities and utilities serving the village could not be expected to cope with an increase in community size approaching 20%.</p>
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