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Ref: Great Lakes Uk Ltd – Planning application number:19/02550/F

I am writing to oppose the planning application for the Great Wolf Lodge Water Theme Park which has been put forward for location in Chesterton. As a resident living in Chesterton at Tanora Cottage on the A4095 for over 36 years I have the following serious concerns.

It has become apparent over the years that the road infrastructure is already insufficient for the traffic which cuts through the village, without a main access to a huge resort being placed just down the road from my property. My own access will most certainly be restricted through traffic congestion. There have been some serious fatalities on the A4095 over the years and I can only foresee the risk becoming higher. Due to my age and sight restriction I rely on family and friends to support me daily, which I fear will also be impacted due to traffic congestion. The village is already used as a rat run to avoid major congestion from the A34 and M40, this development will only make matters worse as the routing plans are unacceptable. My home would also be seriously affected for a prolonged period during the construction (2 years has been quoted) due to all the utilities being transported from the village to the resort, restricting access to my property which is very worrying.

My home and gardens are situated at the back of the ninth green of the golf course, I purchased the property before the golf course was built for the tranquillity of the countryside and the exceptional wildlife that forms a large part of the rural location, this has sadly changed over the years, but a massive resort being situated within this green field area will have dire consequences to the natural habitat for many animals and wildlife. I often have deer's and foxes visiting my garden and grazing on the golf course. The whole proposed resort will also be a total invasion of my privacy within my home and gardens, 500,000 sq.ft of building on a greenfield site will have significant and irreversible impact on the landscape and views which surround my property losing natural habitat for an abundance of wildlife.

My other concern is how can the removal of mature beautiful trees be a step forward for our natural sustainable environment, to be replaced by extremely high buildings and brightly coloured tunnels and flumes, this visual eye sore is not in keeping with our community and certainly does not conserve our conservation. Without considering the loss of nine holes on the golf course that has now matured making it in keeping with the village and respected by the local community. I honestly cannot understand how our local community will gain from this venture, we've had consistently low statistics for unemployment for recent years, and by the disclosure of more information regarding the resort it is clearly not designed for local people to enjoy at exorbitant prices for day passes only to be released if the hotel is not full.

If you would like any further clarification of the points raised, please feel free to call me to discuss.

Yours sincerely

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