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Subject: Great Lakes UK Ltd - Application Ref: 19/02550/F

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Dear Sir / Madam,

I most strongly object to this application for a large-scale water theme park in the small village of Chesterton. There is absolutely no need for such a development in this location, nor is it in line with the local development plan.

The proposed location, which is currently an attractive greenfield site, will be covered by a vast, concreted area containing with inappropriately large buildings for a small village. The 900-space car park indicates the anticipated huge volume of extra traffic that will be travelling to and from the site, bringing with it a substantial increase in noise pollution, not to mention a decrease in air quality and the potentially adding to the associated health issues currently being identified nationally.

This development will be a private resort attracting a proposed 500,00 visitors, and their vehicles, annually into an area already suffering from severe traffic congestion issues on the M40, A34, A41, A4095 and B430. The Conference facilities will also attract a substantial extra number of car movements and resulting congestion.

Economically, the development will provide very little benefit to the local area, which already has very low unemployment. It's requirement to employ 600 lower skilled staff will either attract employees away from existing local businesses (already struggling to find staff) or necessitate distanced new employees travelling into the site, thereby increasing car journeys further. These low-skilled employment opportunities are also contrary to Cherwell's strategic aim of prioritising knowledge-based investment as a priority

Once again, I strongly object to this unneeded proposal which is completely out of keeping with its rural location, and ask that it be refused.

Yours faithfully,

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