

Comment for planning application 19/02550/F

Application Number	19/02550/F
Location	Land to the east of M40 and south of A4095 Chesterton Bicester Oxon
Proposal	Redevelopment of part of golf course to provide new leisure resort (sui generis) incorporating waterpark, family entertainment centre, hotel, conferencing facilities and restaurants with associated access, parking and landscaping
Case Officer	Clare Whitehead
Organisation Name	Mark Habib
Address	The Stone Barn,1 Home Farm Close,Chesterton,Bicester,OX26 1TZ
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>The proposed development is not in accordance with the local development plan and there are no material considerations that would warrant planning permission being granted. I therefore strongly object to the proposed development. My reasons are as follows: 1) The development is in an inappropriate location on the edge of a small village. The development includes 900 car parking spaces with a significant reliance on car travel which is in contradiction of Cherwell's strategy of reduced car usage. 2) The existing road infrastructure, as well as the surrounding villages, cannot cope with the 1000+ daily increase in traffic volume, plus significant construction traffic. The local roads are already congested, with Chesterton being a major 'rat run' during the many traffic issues that occur frequently on the A34 and M40. 3)The development comprises circa 500,000 square feet of buildings on a greenfield site which will have significant and irreversible impact on the local landscape. 4) The development poses a significant loss to existing leisure amenities. It is clear from the company accounts that the 18 hole golf course is financially viable and so there is no reason to reduce it to a 9 hold golf course. Golfers want 18 hole golf courses and so this means that players will have to travel further to an 18 hole course, again increasing reliance of car travel. 5) The proposal is totally contrary to Cherwell's strategic aim of prioritising Knowledge Based business investment as a priority, thereby offering employment supporting the 'Knowledge Economy'. The proposed development does not address this in any way. 6) There will be no financial benefit to local businesses as the development had been designed to retain all services on site. No local businesses support this development.</p>
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