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For the attention of Ms Clare Whitehead

RE: Great Lakes UK LTD Planning Application NO: 19/02250/F

It has been brought to my attention that Great Lakes UK Ltd have applied to create an extensive holiday complex on the edge of Chesterton. Whereas there are many reasons why the application should be denied, perhaps the most significant factor is the resultant increase in road traffic.

A hotel of 500 family rooms will undoubtedly create far more traffic on an already overcrowded infrastructure. There will not only be traffic created by guests but also there will be staff, delivery and service vehicles. The A34 is legendary for being unfit for purpose and the A41, A4095 and B430 will be placed under further strain. Bicester Village alone breeds more than enough traffic for the town. Tesco, Bicester Avenue and The Premier Inn, together with ongoing housing development, have aggravated that situation and the new shopping complex shortly to be opened on the edge of the Kingsmere estate can only make matters even worse, especially if the proposed building of another hotel next to Tesco goes ahead.

Alchester Medical Practice are to relocate to Graven Hill. Patients from the North and West of Bicester and outlying villages such as Upper Heyford will add to the traffic flow trying to by-pass the town centre via the junction of the Oxford Road and the A41.

It strikes me that any objective analysis of this application can only conclude that it would be a betrayal by the Cherwell District Council of its responsibilities to existing residents and that it should be declined.

Yours sincerely,

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