

Comment for planning application 24/00375/F

Application Number	24/00375/F
Location	Os Parcels 7685 6871 8775 1582 3675 3173 1865 0250 8545 7331 1724 And Part 0006 Adjoining Stratford Road A422 Wroxton
Proposal	Formation of two fishing lakes, two nursery lakes, the siting of 15 accommodation lodges, 8 pods, a management building and ancillary vehicular access, parking and landscaping
Case Officer	Katherine Daniels
Organisation Name	Sir David Gilmour
Address	Barn House, Well Lane, Alkerton, Banbury, OX15 6NL
Type of Comment	Objection
Type	neighbour
Comments	<p>The Barn House Alkerton Oxfordshire OX15 6NL</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>20 March 2024</p> <p>planning application 24/00375/F</p> <p>Four years ago, in its review of the Local Plan to 2040, CDC stressed the importance of protecting 'valued landscapes' and 'areas of tranquillity' and gave as an example the Ironstone Downs in which the village of Hornton is situated. CDC also suggested it should 'protect those areas which are relatively undisturbed by noise'.</p> <p>In recent years Hornton has been subjected to a series of applications which have threatened both to damage its landscape and to destroy its tranquillity. We are grateful that CDC's planning committee rejected an application to turn Hornton's disused quarry into a fuel dump and recently prohibited racing events on the illegally expanded Wroxton Motocross track (which is in fact next to Hornton). Now comes yet another threat to landscape and tranquillity in the shape of fishing lakes and holiday buildings on land belonging to the owner of the Motocross track, who is clearly bent on transforming her farm into a series of non-agricultural businesses.</p> <p>Other objectors have rightly highlighted the deleterious effects the development would have on wildlife, noise, light pollution and increased traffic on a dangerous road, and they have also pointed out the complete absence of sustainability criteria. I would like to make two further points.</p> <p>The area belongs to a beautiful landscape next to an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. As such it should be preserved as countryside in perpetuity. In the many years I have lived in this area I have not heard a single person say, 'I wish there were more opportunities for fishing around here'. There is plainly no local need for these lakes.</p> <p>In short this is an unnecessary and unwanted project which should be rejected.</p> <p>Sir David Gilmour ex-Chairman CPRE Cherwell District</p>
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