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Ref: Great Lakes UK Ltd – Application Ref: 19/02550/F

Dear Sirs,

I wish to strongly object to the above-mentioned application on the grounds that this proposal is not in accordance with the local development plan.

It is unsustainable, in an inappropriate location on the edge of a small historic village. The development includes a 900-space car park, indicating a significant reliance on car travel which goes against the Cherwell Strategy of reducing car usage. It will comprise 500,000 square feet of building on a greenfield site, irreversibly removing important green space and disrupting ecological habitats for an abundance of wildlife. The design of the buildings is neither small scale nor detached and therefore not in keeping with the character of the local area.

The existing road infrastructure cannot cope with the projected extra 1000+ daily car movements. Cherwell is already a 'rat-run' and experiences major congestion as an escape route during the many traffic issues on the M40 and A34. In addition to several other significant proposals approved in Bicester, its unacceptable routing plans via Middleton Stoney, Weston on the Green and Wendlebury, will seriously affect the already stressed A34, A41, A4095 and B430. This will also result in a significant deterioration in air quality and a substantial increase in noise pollution for local residents.


Local businesses are already finding it difficult to recruit the employees Great Wolf will be targeting. As such, they will either take employees away from local businesses - a negative economic impact, or they will bring in employment from other areas, thereby increasing traffic movements. With the vast majority of visitors remaining on site, there will be very little (if any) economic benefit to local businesses.

With the loss of 9 holes of a beautifully landscaped golf course, how will they safeguard the remaining 9 holes? Open space provision appears to be rapidly disappearing in Cherwell, which is totally unacceptable when it serves such an important purpose in communities and for well-being. Once again, existing golf users will have to drive further afield to access alternative 18-hole courses, thereby increasing car usage.

For the above reasons, I strongly request that planning permission NOT be granted for this application.

Yours faithfully,


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rural After buying our dream house at a high price in a lovely, quiet and quiet village, why on earth would this application be even considered. Most residence, I'm sure like myself would like the village to stay small traffic to a minimum and not have construction vehicles raug through the village when on having problems with major roads would this also wouldn't help with noise air quality e pollution. No Great Wolf resort!!