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We write to convey our strong objection to this proposal.

Adderbury has been and still is, the subject of ongoing ,numerous,inappropriate new developments. The latest of which is at the East of Berry Hill Road/Milton Road. This development has ruined the once rural entrance to the village which was so attractive but has now been lost. We have been, and still are, suffering from a huge increase in noise pollution,traffic congestion and narrow roads now used as speeding rat runs. The road surfaces are in a terrible condition and the rural nature of these roads cannot cope with the volume and type of traffic.

We are aware that the latest development on the Milton Road was actually above and beyond of what was expected /required in terms of Adderbury providing it's quota of housing.

Local services are collapsing under the impact of these developments and the historic Ironstone village of Adderbury is being swallowed up. Traffic on the busy and dangerous junction at the Berry Hill Road / Oxford Road is getting worse and the traffic is often at a standstill attempting to get to and from Banbury and Oxford.

The walk from Berry Hill Road junction with Oxford Road is almost impossible as walking access to the village, due to being on the main A4360 with cars travelling in excess of 40mph. Attempts to cross this road are very dangerous. There is no footpath going in the opposite direction to get to the village,again over half a mile away .

The threat of developing this parcel of land has been with us for many years. In 2005/2006 the planning officer noted Adderbury's objections ,these included comments from Adderbury Conservation Action Group. The Planning Officer stated that the view from the Oxford Road/Berry Hill Road entrance to the village was indeed the finest, uninterrupted view of the Historic Church and Spire and the basin of the village and conservation area.

This argument has not changed and ANY development would render the view lost forever.

We despair that there will be much regret in years to come, when if such treasure is given over to more, inappropriate development sited particulary outside of the village boundary.

The use of "brownfield" sites should be sought and used as surely this is the intelligent option when we see empty ,run down buildings,unoccupied for a number years which are quite often a blot on the landscape. Banbury town centre is a prime example of this and is a most depressing site . Some of these areas are better placed for providing other important services needed for new developments.

We hope that you will take our views into consideration and that any proposal for development on this site will be rejected.

Your Sincerely.

Denise Mobbs

Stephen Mobbs

Alexander Mobbs

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      Adderbury Parish Council

      Adderbury History Association