

The Planning Inspectorate

COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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Appeal Reference: APP/C3105/W/22/3304021

DETAILS OF THE CASE

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Appeal By ALBION LAND

Site Address
Land west of Howes Lane
Bicester
OX26 2GS
Grid Ref Easting: 456527
Grid Ref Northing: 223237

SENDER DETAILS

Name MR CLIVE SCHAFER

Address
59 Beckdale Close
Bicester
OX26 2GT

ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- Appellant
- Agent
- Interested Party / Person
- Land Owner
- Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- Final Comments
- Proof of Evidence
- Statement
- Statement of Common Ground
- Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- Other

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

Dear Sirs

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> Thank you for taking the time to read my concerns and objection to the proposed development along Howes Lane.

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> My wife and I purchased our property two years ago on the understanding that the road Howes Lane was going to be relocated approximately 150 yards into the field and Howes Lane would become a walkway with some green space with ponds for people to get fresh air and exercise. £3 million has already been spent on putting a bridge underneath the railway for the road to go underneath, and now I believe that the money for the road has been spent elsewhere. If the company who has bought the land and wants to build warehouses where it was planned for housing, school and shops they should pay a large sum towards the relocation of Howes Lane.

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> I do appreciate that we have to move forward but at what cost to people's health and environment? Since Covid it has been proven that people need more green spaces and fresh air to keep healthy bodies and minds.

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> In its current form Howes Lane cannot take the traffic, it was built as a small country lane but is now having more traffic using it than any other road in Bicester. Because of the Kingsmere estate that has been built and the bypass road around Kingsmere links up Howes Lane and now according to satnav is the shortest route to get from Milton Keynes and other destinations to the M40 for all vehicles small and large. The traffic is extremely heavy from 4am in the morning until about 7pm in the evening when you can't hear yourself think in the garden and in the house. The large 40 ton vehicles going down Howes Lane actually shake my house and now I have cracks appeared in the walls which are very concerning. My wife and I can't sleep properly at night which is causing us to be tired during the day and is affecting our occupations and more importantly our health.

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> Building more properties can only cause more flooding in the area. My property flooded two years ago on Christmas Eve which spread down Beckdale Close and into half-dozen properties, which some still haven't got back to normal two years on. If the building work goes ahead it's common sense to put the infrastructure in first i.e. realignment of Howes Lane to take the heavy traffic, put in more drainage and green spaces for people's health and sanity.

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