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SGR2, Caversfield

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For the attention of: Caroline Ford, Cherwell District Council

Site: Land at North West Bicester, Home Farm, Lower Farm and SGR2, Caversfield

Proposal: Outline planning application for residential development (within Use Class C3), open space provision, access, drainage and all associated works and operations including but not limited to demolition, earthworks, and engineering operations, with the details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale reserved for later determination

Application Number: 21/01630/OUT

Our Reference: #91757

Dear Caroline,

National Highways (we) has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as Strategic Highway Company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the Highway Authority, Traffic Authority and Street Authority for the Strategic Road Network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such National Highways works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.

We have previously provided detailed comments for this application in a response dated 28th July 2021. Since this time, we have not received a re-consultation nor has additional information been provided.

We are concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact on the safe and efficient operation of the SRN, in this case the M40, A34 and A43.

We recommend that the Local Planning Authority does not grant planning permission for the application for a period of a further 56 days (Ref: 21/01630/OUT) from the date of this recommendation to enable further assessment to be undertaken as outlined in the associated NHPR.

Kind Regards

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