

# Planning and Development

## Development Management



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Our Ref: **21/01630/OUT**

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### TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 – Appeal against Non-determination

**Appellant's Name:** Firethorn Developments Ltd

**Proposal:** Outline planning application for up to 530 residential dwellings (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

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

**Parish(es):** Bicester

**Appeal Reference:** APP/C3105/W/23/3315849

**Appeal Start Date:** 16 February 2023

Further to my letter dated 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023, I am writing to let you know that an Inspector has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, under Paragraph 1 (1) of Schedule 6 to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, to hold an Inquiry into the above appeal.

The Inquiry is expected to last for 6 sitting days, split across two venues (due to shortage of venue availability).

10.00am, 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> June (4 days) will be held at the Cherwell District Council offices, in the Council Chamber at Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA.

10.00am, 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> June (2 days +), at The John Paul II Centre, Webb Court, 12 The Causeway, Bicester, OX26 6AW

The Inspector nominated to hold the Inquiry is R Barrett. BSc (Hons) MSc Dip Hist Cons Dip UD IHBC MRTPI

The Inquiry is to be held as an in-person event and we encourage you to attend and, at the Inspector's discretion, express your views.

Anyone wishing to participate in the Inquiry virtually (online) should contact the Local Planning Authority by email at [submit.appeal@cherwell-dc.gov.uk](mailto:submit.appeal@cherwell-dc.gov.uk) to register their request as soon as possible prior to the event for details of how to do so.

Documents relevant to the appeal can be viewed via the Council's Online Planning Register at <https://planningregister.cherwell.gov.uk/Appeals/Display/23/00062/NON> or the documents can be viewed at the Council's offices by prior arrangement. Proofs of Evidence and the Statement of Common Ground are expected to be available on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

Members of the public wishing to attend the Inquiry who may be concerned about the facilities available for people with disabilities are asked to contact the Council.

A leaflet offering further guidance is available free of charge by contacting the Council on the above telephone number or online at <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/taking-part-in-a-planning-listed-building-or-enforcement-appeal>.

The Case Officer contact at the Planning Inspectorate is: Robert Wordsworth  
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The appeal decision will be published on the Planning Inspectorates website at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/>, once it is issued.

Yours Faithfully,

Sarah Gevaux

**Appeals Administrator**