

The Planning Inspectorate

COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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Appeal Reference: APP/C3105/W/24/3338211

DETAILS OF THE CASE

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Appeal By VISTRY HOMES LTD

Site Address
Land east of Warwick Road
Banbury
OX16 1HD
Grid Ref Easting: 433313
Grid Ref Northing: 243119

SENDER DETAILS

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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

I strongly OBJECT to the proposed development.

I reject this planning application for 170 houses along the Warwick road which will join the historic village of Hanwell to Banbury Town.

I have grave concern over the continual, unrelenting housing developments around Banbury. Banbury is a fantastic historic market town that is in danger of losing its identity due to this urban sprawl. Further more joining Banbury to Hanwell Village with this development would see the lose of a unique and historic village community. A separate village of Hanwell should be seen as an asset by the Banbury planners.

North Banbury does not have the infrastructure or services to cope with this increase in homes. The doctors surgeries are full, schools are full, there are extremely limited public transport options and roads already busy and excessively potholed. More new housing developments should not take priority over providing good local services for the current population including access to health care and education.

The impact on the natural environment should be a huge consideration for planners - the biodiversity of our countryside is being lost. There is absolutely no sustainable ecological balance to these developments. The developments lead to massive destruction of biodiversity only.

Developers always talk about their developments as 'sustainable'. But they have twisted the actual meaning of this word. How can this march on the countryside be sustainable? Housing needs should be met in a truly sustainable way, what this actually means is making use of what we already have, for example, redeveloping buildings in town that already have infrastructure and services in place. There are brown field sites in Banbury that could be developed to provide affordable homes, including parts of the Castle Quay centre - what an amazing sustainable housing development project that would be - making use of what is already available, right next to shops, doctors, dentists, leisure amenities, the bus station and train station.

Another important consideration is the light pollution from the development could have a detrimental impact on the publicly funded Hanwell Community Observatory located in Hanwell castle grounds.

I urge you to please reject this planning application. We need imaginative, creative solutions that preserve our precious, historic, green, pleasant, English countryside.